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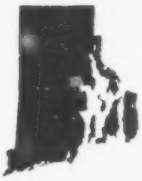

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EMPLOYMENT BULLETIN

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R. I. JOBS INCREASE TO 396,400 IN OCTOBER

Employment in Rhode Island increased from September to October for the first time in five years. Employment in manufacturing rose seasonally as expected, but the normal large seasonal downturn in nonmanufacturing was held back somewhat by the end of a labor dispute and lower than normal losses in the Services sector, according to Mary C. Hackett, Director of the Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates, prepared by the Department of Employment Security in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, 396,400 men and women were employed in Rhode Island in mid-October. This represents a monthly increase of 1,500 jobs, but total employment still lags behind last year by 8,300 jobs.

MANUFACTURING

The number of manufacturing employees in October was estimated at 128,400, an increase of 1,600 jobs over the month, but still 5,900 below the figure of one year ago.

Durable Goods employment rose by 500 jobs to 55,300 in mid-October. The Transportation Equipment and Instruments segments each rose by 300 jobs in the month, to reach totals of 7,700 and 5,300, respectively. The increase in Transportation Equipment raises that industry to its highest total ever, while Instruments' gain represents a recall of many workers from short-term layoffs and moves the industry total closer to its pre-July level. Fabricated Metals firms added 200 jobs in the month and Lumber/Furniture employment rose by 100 jobs. Declines of 200 jobs each were reported by firms in Nonelectrical Machinery and Stone, Clay, and Glass (the latter being mostly a seasonal slowdown).

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1981 TAXABLE WAGE BASE

Complying with State law, Mary C. Hackett, Employment Security Director, has announced that the 1981 wage base on which employers pay R. I. Employment Security taxes has been established at $7,800 for the tax year which begins January 1, 1981. The current taxable wage base is $7,200.

The new $7,800 base is equal to 70 percent of the annual average wage earned by all workers who were covered by the R. I. Employment Security Act in 1979. Total wages paid in 1979 to covered workers amounted to $3,501,711,945. The average monthly number of covered workers was 316,604. Consequently the annual average wage was $11,060. Seventy percent of this average is $7,742, rounded upward to the next highest multiple of $200 - or $7,800.

Experience Rating Schedule I will continue to be in effect for 1981. Tax rates in this schedule range from 2.8% to 6.0% of the employer's taxable payroll. Employers will be notified of their individual tax rate for 1981 with the mailing of the first quarterly reports next March.

IN COOPERATION WITH THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

JOB SERVICE

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Oct. 1980	Sept. 1980	Oct. 1979
Total Placements	2,504 P	2,320	3,186
New Applications	4,925 P	6,657	5,230
New Openings Received	3,557 P	4,050	4,479

P — Preliminary

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Oct. 1980	Sept. 1980	% Change from Sept.
Initial Claims	8,488	9,775	— 13.2
No. of Payments	61,721	74,490	— 17.1
Amt. of Payments	$5,326,213	$6,160,428	— 13.5
Exhaustions	1,481	1,724	— 14.1

EXTENDED BENEFITS PROGRAM

Statistics for the Extended Benefits Program, the cost of which is shared by the State and the Federal Government, are presented below:

	Oct. 1980	Sept. 1980	% Change from Sep.
Initial Claims	1,785	3,206	— 44.3
No. of Payments	15,871	32,130	— 50.6
Amt. of Payments	$1,479,499	$2,648,367	— 44.1

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed
OCTOBER 1980

	Number	Percent
Sex and Age		
TOTAL	14,592	100.0
Men	7,783	53.3
Under 45	5,540	71.2
45 and over	2,243	28.8
Women	6,809	46.7
Under 45	4,014	59.0
45 and over	2,795	41.0
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	1,362	9.3
Manufacturing	5,682	38.9
Public Utilities	646	4.4
Trade	2,101	14.4
Finance-Insurance-Real Estate	505	3.5
Service	2,266	15.5
All Other	2,030	13.9
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Mgr.	2,102	14.4
Clerical and Sales	2,747	18.8
Service	1,150	7.9
Forestry, Fishery, and Rel.	164	1.1
Processing	611	4.2
Machine Trades	1,526	10.5
Bench Work	2,242	15.4
Structural Work	1,655	11.3
Miscellaneous	1,561	10.7
Not Available	835	5.7

Providence-Warwick-Pawtucket Labor Area

Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	Sept. 1980	Aug. 1980	Sept. 1979
Civilian Labor Force	451.1	453.4	454.6
Unemployment	28.4	34.5	27.3
Rate (Unadjusted)	6.3	7.6	6.0
Seas. Adjusted Rate	6.8	7.4	6.5

Newport Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	Sept. 1980	Aug. 1980	Sept. 1979
Civilian Labor Force	31,700	30,425	28,830
Unemployment	1,460	1,433	1,370
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.6	4.5	4.8

Westerly Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	Sept. 1980	Aug. 1980	Sept. 1979
Civilian Labor Force	14,515	14,028	13,620
Unemployment	710	868	765
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.9	5.8	5.5

LABOR SURPLUS AREAS

The following cities and towns have been classified as Labor Surplus Areas by the U. S. Department of Labor. The classifications are effective through May 31, 1981. Establishments located in these cities and towns are eligible for preference in receiving federal contracts.

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS, AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Oct. 1980	Sep. 1980	Oct. 1979	Sep. 1980	Oct. 1979	Oct. 1980	Oct. 1979	Oct. 1980	Oct. 1979	Oct. 1980	Oct. 1979
ALL MANUFACTURING	128.4	126.8	134.3	+ 1600	— 5900	$221.52	$203.31	39.0	38.8	$5.68	$5.24
DURABLE GOODS	55.3	54.8	57.0	+ 500	— 1700	255.15	233.60	40.5	40.0	6.30	5.84
PRIMARY METALS	7.8	7.8	8.1†	0	— 300	271.13	251.08	42.9	42.7	6.32	5.88
FABRICATED METALS	9.2	9.0	10.3	+ 200	— 1100	210.18	200.67	37.6	37.3	5.59	5.38
NON-ELEC. MACHINERY	9.2	9.4	9.5	— 200	— 300	313.65	288.77	42.5	43.1	7.38	6.70
ELEC. MACHINERY	10.9	10.9	11.9	0	— 1000	212.24	192.51	37.9	37.6	5.60	5.12
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	3.0	3.2	3.3	— 200	— 300	264.12	240.83	42.6	42.4	6.20	5.68
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP	7.7	7.4	6.5	+ 300	+ 1200	297.32	269.84	41.7	39.8	7.13	6.78
INSTRUMENTS	5.3	5.0	5.5	+ 300	— 200	236.93	215.20	40.5	40.3	5.85	5.34
LUMBER-FURNITURE	2.2	2.1	1.9	+ 100	+ 300	213.94	227.66	39.4	37.2	5.43	6.12
NONDURABLE GOODS	73.1	72.0	77.3	+ 1100	— 4200	197.84	182.30	37.9	37.9	5.22	4.81
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	26.5	25.7	29.2	+ 800	— 2700	171.23	157.61	36.2	36.4	4.73	4.33
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.3	3.4	3.5	— 100	— 200	233.00	196.04	37.4	33.8	6.23	5.80
TEXTILE PRODUCTS	12.2	11.9	12.5	+ 300	— 300	204.51	197.24	40.1	40.5	5.10	4.87
APPAREL	3.5	3.8	3.6	— 300	— 100	193.55	182.82	39.1	40.9	4.95	4.47
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.9	2.8	3.0	+ 100	— 100	222.60	195.70	40.4	38.6	5.51	5.07
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	5.3	5.2	5.3	+ 100	0	287.62	285.19	39.4	40.8	7.30	6.99
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.0	3.0	3.3	0	— 300	299.30	261.71	37.6	38.6	7.96	6.78
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.7	1.7	1.8	0	— 100	230.28	202.27	40.4	39.2	5.70	5.16
PLASTIC PRODUCTS	5.4	5.5	5.6	— 100	— 200	219.79	206.89	38.9	38.9	5.65	5.19
LEATHER PRODUCTS	3.2	3.1	3.5	+ 100	— 300	148.83	128.13	37.3	35.2	3.99	3.64
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.1	5.9	6.0	+ 200	+ 100	176.97	163.62	37.1	37.7	4.77	4.34

1979 FIGURES REVISED. 1980 FIGURES ARE PRELIMINARY. † LABOR DISPUTE

ESTIMATES ARE FOR PAY PERIOD WHICH INCLUDES THE 12TH OF THE MONTH

COMPILED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY IN COOPERATION WITH THE U. S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

LABOR TURNOVER RATES IN RHODE ISLAND
(Per 100 Employees)
SEPTEMBER 1980

	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	TOTAL			NEW HIRES			TOTAL			QUITS			LAY-OFF RATES		
	Sept. 1980	Aug. 1980	Sept. 1979	Sept. 1980	Aug. 1980	Sept. 1979	Sept. 1980	Aug. 1980	Sept. 1979	Sept. 1980	Aug. 1980	Sept. 1979	Sept. 1980	Aug. 1980	Sept. 1979
MANUFACTURING	5.4	5.8	7.0	3.9	3.2	5.9	4.9	5.6	7.2	2.9	2.6	4.8	1.3	2.0	1.2
DURABLE GOODS	3.8	5.4	5.5	2.6	2.3	5.0	3.8	6.0	5.3	2.1	2.2	3.4	1.0	2.9	0.9
Primary Metals	2.4	5.0	2.7	2.0	1.4	2.4	3.3	7.5	3.9	1.7	2.2	1.5	0.9	4.9	2.0
Fabricated Metals	3.5	3.5	6.3	2.4	2.8	5.3	3.6	4.1	6.7	2.5	2.2	3.7	0.5	0.6	1.0
Non-Elec. Mach.	2.4	2.0	3.0	1.6	0.9	2.5	2.4	2.9	3.0	0.9	1.0	1.7	0.6	1.3	0.3
Electrical Mach.	6.2	7.9	6.5	3.4	1.9	5.9	5.2	10.8	6.8	2.5	2.7	5.4	2.0	6.7	0.4
Instruments-Optical	3.3	12.0	5.4	1.5	1.8	5.1	3.2	4.9	4.7	1.5	1.7	3.5	1.0	2.2	0.4
OTHER DURABLE GOODS *	6.0	11.9	8.7	5.1	8.2	8.2	5.6	10.0	6.8	4.0	4.5	4.2	0.8	4.5	1.7
NONDUR. GOODS	6.7	6.1	8.1	4.9	3.9	6.5	5.8	5.3	8.6	3.5	3.0	5.9	1.5	1.3	1.4
Food-Beverage	10.7	8.6	12.3	3.9	3.9	7.0	5.8	4.4	7.2	4.3	2.4	5.3	0.5	0.9	1.1
Textiles	4.5	5.4	6.4	3.4	3.5	5.5	4.0	4.9	5.9	2.5	2.7	3.6	0.7	1.1	1.0
Apparel	5.5	3.8	7.3	2.2	1.6	3.1	4.3	6.0	6.5	1.2	1.2	2.3	2.5	4.1	3.6
Paper & Allied Prod.	5.8	6.4	7.5	4.7	4.4	6.5	7.2	4.9	8.1	3.3	3.3	6.3	3.5	0.6	0.7
Rubber & Plas.Prod.	5.4	8.1	5.5	4.5	3.4	4.6	4.8	4.6	6.5	3.4	2.8	4.4	0.0	0.3	0.1
Jewelry & Silverware	7.7	6.2	8.2	5.6	4.3	6.5	6.3	5.7	9.6	3.5	3.4	5.6	2.1	1.4	2.4
OTHER NONDURABLE GOODS * *	6.5	5.5	10.2	5.7	4.1	9.3	6.8	5.6	10.4	4.7	3.4	9.1	1.1	1.4	0.2

RATES FOR SEPTEMBER 1980 ARE PRELIMINARY. RATES FOR AUGUST 1980 AND SEPTEMBER 1979 ARE FINAL.

* INCLUDES: LUMBER AND WOOD PRODUCTS; STONE, CLAY AND GLASS PRODUCTS AND TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT.

** INCLUDES: PRINTING, PUBLISHING AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES; CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS; LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS AND MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	Employment in Thousands			Net Change From	
	Oct. 1980	Sept. 1980	Oct. 1979	Oct. 1980	Oct. 1979
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	396.4	394.9	404.7	+ 1500	– 8300
MANUFACTURING	128.4	126.8	134.3	+ 1600	– 5900
NONMANUFACTURING	268.0	268.1	270.4	– 100	– 2400
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	12.6	12.7	15.1	– 100	– 2500
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.0	13.3	13.5	– 300	– 500
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	80.1	79.8	81.5	+ 300	– 1400
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	20.3	20.3	21.1	0	– 800
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	81.9	82.6	79.4	– 700	+ 2500
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	60.1	59.4 †	59.8	+ 700	+ 300

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* FARMERS; SELF-EMPLOYED; DOMESTIC AND ARMED SERVICES PERSONNEL ARE EXCLUDED.

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Nondurable Goods manufacturing employment grew by 1,100 jobs in October to a total of 73,100. Jewelry/Silverware firms led the way, adding 800 jobs in the month to reach a total of 26,500, the highest monthly total since January of this year. Textile firms added 300 jobs to reach 12,200 in mid-October, while Miscellaneous Manufacturing firms added 200 jobs, to a level of 6,100. Gains of 100 jobs each were reported in Paper Products (2,900), Printing/Publishing (5,300), and Leather (3,200). Apparel firms dropped 300 jobs to 3,500 and Food/Beverages and Plastics each reported losses of 100 jobs in the month.

NONMANUFACTURING

The number of men and women gainfully employed in the State's nonmanufacturing industries remained almost even with last month, declining by only 100 jobs in October to a level of 268,000.

A gain of 700 jobs in local education (mostly attributable to the end of a labor dispute) and a gain of 100 in municipal government payrolls was minimally offset by a loss of 100 jobs in Federal employment. The total Government employment for October stands at 60,100.

Overall, the Trades sector rose by 300 jobs in the month to 80,100, reversing a normal September-October downturn. One underlying reason for this apparent anomaly is that while increases occurred as expected in Department Stores, Food Stores and Miscellaneous Retail outlets, the employment downturns in other segments were softened considerably by already below-normal employment levels.

In the Service industries, jobs declined by 700 to a level of 81,900. Nearly all losses were attributable to normal seasonal downturns in Hotels/Motels, Amusement/Recreation, and Social Service jobs. Over the year, however, employment in the Services sector was up by 2,500 jobs due in large measure to increases in the health service industry.

Transportation and Public Utilities firms showed a seasonal decrease of 300 jobs to 13,000, while in Construction, the monthly decline was limited to 100 jobs, to a level of 12,600. Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate firms remained stable over the month at 20,300.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average weekly hours were up .2 hours over the year, but at 39.0, reflect a decline of .9 hours over the month. Average hourly earnings of $5.68 were paid to Rhode Island's manufacturing workforce in October. This figure represents an increase of 44 cents an hour over last year, and 4 cents an hour over the month.

Average weekly earnings for manufacturing workers rose by $18.21 in the yearly comparison, but fell (due to the drop in hours) $3.52 from September.

RHODE ISLAND

Labor Force -- Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	Oct. 1980	Sept. 1980	Oct. 1979
Civilian Labor Force	459.2	457.4	450.7
Unemployment	27.0	27.7	26.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.9	6.1	5.8
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	6.8	6.7	5.7

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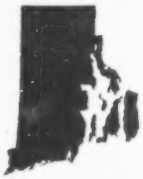

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NOVEMBER HIRINGS INCREASE R. I. JOBS TOTAL TO 398,200

Employment increased in Rhode Island for the third consecutive month. The most significant upward swing in employment occurred in the costume jewelry industry, while the seasonal rise in the Trade industries reflected a lower than normal hiring pattern according to Mary C. Hackett, Director of the Department of Employment Security.

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MANUFACTURING

The number of manufacturing employees in November was estimated at 129,600, an increase of 1,200 jobs over the month, but still 4,500 below the figure of one year ago. In the 19 reporting segments, the monthly changes indicate 7 gains and 5 losses (only 3 of which exceeded 100 jobs in either direction) and 7 segments remained stable over the month.

Durable Goods employment rose by 200 jobs to 55,500 in mid-November. Primary Metals reported a 200 job increase to a total of 8,000; Nonelectrical Machinery and Transportation Equipment each gained 100 jobs to reach totals of 9,300 and 7,800, respectively. Losses of 100 jobs each were reported by Instruments (5,200) and Lumber/Furniture (2,100) manufacturing firms. The other 3 Durable Goods industries, Fabricated Metals, Electrical

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SEASONS GREETINGS AND A WORD OF THANKS TO RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYERS

As 1980 draws to a close, Mary C. Hackett, Director, and the staff of the Department of Employment Security extend seasons greetings and a hope of prosperity in the year ahead to all readers of the Employment Bulletin.

A sincere thank you is also extended to those Rhode Island employers who provide information to the Department each month so essential in determining trends in the State's economy.

Key indicators such as employment levels, weekly production hours, labor turnover rates and worker earnings are the basis for both state and national reports prepared by this Department. We are in the debt of the management of those firms who compile and faithfully transmit this data for inclusion in the Employment Bulletin.

We pledge continued publication each month of information that will assist you in reaching decisions and planning for the future.

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS, AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Nov. 1980	Oct. 1980	Nov. 1979	Oct. 1980	Nov. 1979	Nov. 1980	Nov. 1979	Nov. 1980	Nov. 1979	Nov. 1980	Nov. 1979
ALL MANUFACTURING	129.6	128.4	134.1	+ 1200	— 4500	$226.58	$208.29	39.2	39.3	$5.78	$5.30
DURABLE GOODS	55.5	55.3	56.8	+ 200	— 1300	261.06	239.98	40.6	40.4	6.43	5.94
PRIMARY METALS	8.0	7.8	8.2 †	+ 200	— 200	272.21	256.80	42.6	43.6	6.39	5.89
FABRICATED METALS	9.2	9.2	10.5	0	— 1300	218.12	197.78	38.0	36.9	5.74	5.36
NON-ELEC. MACHINERY	9.3	9.2	9.4	+ 100	— 100	329.28	305.64	43.1	43.6	7.64	7.01
ELEC. MACHINERY	10.9	10.9	11.9	0	— 1000	207.57	198.74	37.0	38.0	5.61	5.23
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	3.0	3.0	3.3	0	— 300	290.47	272.40	45.6	45.1	6.37	6.04
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP	7.8	7.7	6.5	+ 100	+ 1300	304.41	268.00	41.7	40.0	7.30	6.70
INSTRUMENTS	5.2	5.3	5.2	— 100	0	238.17	224.26	40.3	40.7	5.91	5.51
LUMBER-FURNITURE	2.1	2.2	1.8	— 100	+ 300	211.77	232.05	39.0	39.0	5.43	5.95
NONDURABLE GOODS	74.1	73.1	77.3	+ 1000	— 3200	201.93	186.34	38.1	38.5	5.30	4.84
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	27.6	26.5	29.1	+ 1100	— 1500	169.45	159.04	35.9	36.9	4.72	4.31
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.4	3.3	3.5	+ 100	— 100	231.31	183.86	36.6	32.6	6.32	5.64
TEXTILE PRODUCTS	12.3	12.2	12.8	+ 100	— 500	212.98	201.47	40.8	40.7	5.22	4.95
APPAREL	3.5	3.5	3.7	0	— 200	199.67	184.54	40.5	41.1	4.93	4.49
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.9	2.9	2.9	0	0	202.77	206.52	37.9	40.1	5.35	5.15
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	5.3	5.3	5.3	0	0	306.47	291.04	40.7	41.4	7.53	7.03
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2.9	3.0	3.2	— 100	— 300	314.59	280.40	38.6	40.0	8.15	7.01
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0	232.83	197.60	39.0	38.0	5.97	5.20
PLASTIC PRODUCTS	5.3	5.4	5.7	— 100	— 400	230.84	209.48	39.8	39.9	5.80	5.25
LEATHER PRODUCTS	3.3	3.2	3.5	+ 100	— 200	149.20	129.96	37.3	35.9	4.00	3.62
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.9	6.1	5.9	— 200	0	194.54	176.27	38.6	39.7	5.04	4.44

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† LABOR DISPUTE

LABOR TURNOVER RATES IN RHODE ISLAND
(Per 100 Employees)
OCTOBER 1980

	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	TOTAL			NEW HIRES			TOTAL			QUITS			LAY-OFF RATES		
	Oct. 1980	Sep. 1980	Oct. 1979	Oct. 1980	Sep. 1980	Oct. 1979	Oct. 1980	Sep. 1980	Oct. 1979	Oct. 1980	Sep. 1980	Oct. 1979	Oct. 1980	Sep. 1980	Oct. 1979
MANUFACTURING	4.3	5.4	5.8	3.1	3.9	4.9	4.1	4.9	5.7	2.1	2.9	3.3	1.3	1.3	1.2
DURABLE GOODS	3.3	3.8	4.7	2.2	2.6	4.0	3.6	3.8	4.5	1.6	2.1	2.4	1.3	1.0	1.1
Primary Metals	4.2	2.4	2.7	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0	3.3	3.2	1.3	1.7	1.1	0.2	0.9	1.2
Fabricated Metals	3.2	3.5	6.3	2.6	2.4	5.1	3.1	3.6	4.7	1.9	2.5	3.0	0.5	0.5	0.8
Non-Elec. Mach.	2.1	2.4	2.3	1.5	1.6	1.8	1.9	2.4	2.3	0.5	0.9	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.5
Electrical Mach.	4.8	6.2	4.1	3.0	3.4	3.5	4.0	5.2	4.3	2.0	2.5	2.8	1.4	2.0	1.0
Instruments-Optical	2.6	3.3	3.2	2.2	1.5	3.0	2.4	3.2	5.4	1.2	1.5	1.9	0.7	1.0	2.9
OTHER DURABLE GOODS *	2.7	6.0	8.8	1.9	5.1	8.2	7.7	5.6	7.5	2.3	4.0	4.7	4.5	0.8	1.3
NONDUR. GOODS	5.1	6.7	6.7	3.8	4.9	5.5	4.5	5.8	6.6	2.5	3.5	4.0	1.3	1.5	1.2
Food-Beverage	6.8	10.7	15.8	4.2	3.9	11.8	3.5	5.8	12.1	2.6	4.3	8.6	0.3	0.5	2.8
Textiles	4.3	4.5	5.5	3.2	3.4	4.5	4.4	4.0	5.2	2.4	2.5	3.1	1.2	0.7	0.6
Apparel	4.4	5.5	6.0	1.9	2.2	3.2	3.8	4.3	5.6	0.8	1.2	2.5	2.0	2.5	2.0
Paper & Allied Prod.	7.4	5.8	6.2	5.0	4.7	5.8	3.7	7.2	3.3	2.0	3.3	1.9	0.6	3.5	0.3
Rubber & Plas.Prod.	3.7	5.4	4.4	2.4	4.5	3.2	3.7	4.8	5.1	2.7	3.4	2.7	0.1	0.0	0.7
Jewelry & Silverware	6.8	7.7	5.9	5.5	5.6	4.7	4.5	6.3	7.2	2.2	3.5	3.6	1.7	2.1	1.9
OTHER NONDURABLE GOODS * *	3.0	6.5	8.2	2.4	5.7	7.7	5.2	6.8	7.0	3.2	4.7	5.7	1.3	1.1	0.6

RATES FOR OCTOBER 1980 ARE PRELIMINARY. RATES FOR SEPTEMBER 1980 AND OCTOBER 1979 ARE FINAL.

* INCLUDES: LUMBER AND WOOD PRODUCTS; STONE, CLAY AND GLASS PRODUCTS AND TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT.

** INCLUDES: PRINTING, PUBLISHING AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES; CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS; LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS AND MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

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TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	Employment in Thousands			Net Change From	
	Nov. 1980	Oct. 1980	Nov. 1979	Oct. 1980	Nov. 1979
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	398.2	396.4	405.6	+ 1,800	– 7,400
MANUFACTURING	129.6	128.4	134.1	+ 1,200	– 4,500
NONMANUFACTURING	268.6	268.0	271.5	+ 600	– 2,900
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	12.6	12.6	14.9	0	– 2,300
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.1	13.0	13.5	+ 100	– 400
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	80.5	80.1	82.4	+ 400	– 1,900
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	20.4	20.3	21.1	+ 100	– 700
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	81.9	81.9	79.8	0	+ 2,100
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	60.1	60.1	59.8	0	+ 300

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Machinery and Stone-Clay-Glass, showed no over-the-month employment changes.

Ndurable Goods manufacturing employment grew by 1,000 in November, to a total of 74,100. Jewelry/Silverware firms led the way, adding 1,100 jobs in the month (almost all in the manufacture of costume jewelry) to a total of 27,600 – the highest monthly total since December 1979.

Gains of 100 jobs each were reported for Food/Beverage firms (3,400), Textiles (12,300) and Leather Products (3,300), while Miscellaneous Manufacturing firms showed a loss of 200 jobs to 5,900 in November. Losses of 100 jobs each were reported in Chemicals (2,900) and Plastics (5,300). The other 4 Nondurable Goods segments remained stable over the month.

NONMANUFACTURING

The number of men and women gainfully employed in the State's nonmanufacturing industries grew by 600 in November, to a total of 268,600.

A smaller than normal seasonal gain of 400 jobs was recorded in the Wholesale/Retail Trades industries, bringing the mid-November total to its highest level of the year – 80,500, a figure 1,900 below last year's level.

Transportation and Public Utilities firms showed a 100 jobs increase over the month to 13,100, and a similar growth was reported for Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate firms, totaling 20,400 in mid-November. However, both these industries showed losses of 400 and 1,900 jobs, respectively, over the year.

Contract Construction (12,600), Services (81,900), and Government (60,100) all remained even over the month while year to year changes in these industries reflected a loss of 2,300 in Construction (primarily residential and special trade contractors), an increase of 2,100 in Services, especially health service industries, and a much more moderate increase of 300 in Government.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

The average manufacturing workweek increased .2 hours in November to 39.2 hours. This, coupled with a 10 cent per hour increase in average hourly earnings for these factory production workers – to $5.78 and hour – produced a gross average weekly earnings figure of $226.58 in November, up $5.06 in the month.

RHODE ISLAND

Labor Force – Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	Nov. 1980	Oct. 1980	Nov. 1979
Civilian Labor Force	463.6	459.2	450.3
Unemployment	28.5	27.0	26.1
Rate (Unadjusted)	6.1	5.9	5.8
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	7.0	6.8	6.6

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Construction 277-3559
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SEASONAL HIRING INCREASES R. I. JOBS TOTAL TO 400,900

Seasonal changes characterized the labor picture in December as Rhode Island employment increased for the fifth consecutive month. As expected, the most significant upward movement occurred in the Trade industries, in a late season surge to handle holiday purchases, according to Mary C. Hackett, Director of the Department of Employment Security.

Preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics indicate 400,900 men and women were employed in Rhode Island in mid-December. This represents a monthly increase of 2,700 jobs.

NONMANUFACTURING

Primarily following seasonal trends, nonmanufacturing employment increased by 4,900 jobs in December to 273,500, the highest total ever, and 1,600 over last December's level.

The largest monthly gain was in the Trades sector, where 3,100 jobs were added to reach a yearly high of 83,600. Nearly all retail segments showed monthly increases, led by Department stores and Miscellaneous retail outlets.

Employment in the Service industries increased by 900 jobs in December, to 82,800, also a yearly high. Among Finance, Insurance and Real Estate firms, employment rose by 300 jobs, bringing the December total in this sector to 20,700.

Government employment grew by 600 in the month, and totalled 60,700. Post Office employment grew by 100 while State Government jobs dropped by a similar number. Local education and Municipal Government sectors each added 300 jobs in the month.

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EMPLOYERS ! RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE CAN HELP YOU

During 1980 the Rhode Island Job Service assisted many employers in filling their job openings. In the fiscal year ending September 30, 1980 over 66% of all job openings listed by employers with the Job Service were filled. A total of 24,641 job placements were made during that 12-month period. Youth under age 22 accounted for 46% of these placements and another 15% were veterans, including over sixteen hundred Vietnam-era veterans.

The Job Service is also responsive to the needs of job applicants who experience barriers to employment. Thirty-three percent of the job placements were economically-disadvantaged persons, another 15.7% were members of minority groups and over eight percent were older workers - 45 years of age and over.

The Job Service is an experienced public employment agency and its trained professional staff can help you fill the openings in your work force. The Job Bank is a computerized listing of job openings statewide. If you need workers call the Job Bank at 277-3588 (or toll free Enterprise 2265). There is nver a fee for using the R. I. Job Service.

AN IMPORTANT REMINDER TO EMPLOYERS

Employment Security and Temporary Disability Insurance reports of employment wages and taxes for the quarter ending December 31, 1980, must be filed by January 31, 1981, with the Department of Employment Security, 24 Mason Street, Providence, R. I. Failure to make these reports and to pay required taxes by the due date will make employers liable to penalties and additional interest charges. "No payroll" reports must be submitted in those cases where no wages were paid during the quarter covered by the report.

JOB SERVICE

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Dec. 1980	Nov. 1980	Dec. 1979
Total Placements	1,785	2,028	1,592
New Applications	3,930	3,826	3,783
New Openings Received	2,288	3,341	2,354

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Dec. 1980	Nov. 1980	% Change from Nov.
Initial Claims	28,868	10,447	+ 176.3
No. of Payments	76,448	53,297	+ 43.4
Amt. of Payments	$6,626,481	$4,639,030	+ 42.8
Exhaustions	1,814	1,374	+ 32.0

EXTENDED BENEFITS PROGRAM

Statistics for the Extended Benefits Program, the cost of which is shared by the State and the Federal Government, are presented below:

	Dec. 1980	Nov. 1980	% Change from Nov.
Initial Claims	2,118	1,681	+ 26.0
No. of Payments	17,810	14,086	+ 26.4
Amt. of Payments	$1,663,145	$1,226,534	+ 35.6

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed
DECEMBER 1980

	Number	Percent
Sex and Age		
TOTAL	16,553	100.0
Men	9,096	55.0
Under 45	6,888	75.7
45 and over	2,208	24.3
Women	7,457	45.0
Under 45	4,624	62.0
45 and over	2,833	38.0
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	2,070	12.5
Manufacturing	6,652	40.2
Public Utilities	694	4.2
Trade	1,903	11.5
Finance-Insurance-Real Estate	444	2.7
Service	2,194	13.3
All Other	2,596	15.7
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Mgr.	2,083	12.6
Clerical and Sales	2,388	14.4
Service	1,111	6.7
Forestry, Fishery, and Rel.	500	3.0
Processing	806	4.9
Machine Trades	1,833	11.1
Bench Work	2,916	17.6
Structural Work	2,306	13.9
Miscellaneous	1,903	11.5
Not Available	707	4.3

Providence-Warwick-Pawtucket Labor Area

Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	Nov. 1980	Oct. 1980	Nov. 1979
Civilian Labor Force	458.6	454.9	449.1
Unemployment	27.7	27.3	25.7
Rate (Unadjusted)	6.0	6.0	5.7
Seas. Adjusted Rate	6.8	7.0	6.5

Newport Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	Nov. 1980	Oct. 1980	Nov. 1979
Civilian Labor Force	31,285	31,180	28,255
Unemployment	1,780	1,515	1,535
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.7	4.9	5.4

Westerly Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	Nov. 1980	Oct. 1980	Nov. 1979
Civilian Labor Force	13,915	13,815	12,810
Unemployment	810	720	715
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.8	5.2	5.6

LABOR SURPLUS AREAS

The following cities and towns have been classified as Labor Surplus Areas by the U. S. Department of Labor. The classifications are effective through May 31, 1981. Establishments located in these cities and towns are eligible for preference in receiving federal contracts.

Bristol
Central Falls
Charlestown
East Providence
Johnston
Narragansett
New Shoreham
North Providence
Providence
Warren
West Warwick
Woonsocket

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ELEC. MACHINERY	11.0	10.9	11.8	+ 100	— 800	218.86	201.11	38.6	38.6	5.67	5.21
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TEXTILE PRODUCTS	12.3	12.3	12.8	0	— 500	223.34	200.79	43.2	41.4	5.17	4.85
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CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2.9	2.9	3.2	0	— 300	309.46	279.76	38.3	40.9	8.08	6.84
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.8	1.7	1.7	+ 100	+ 100	243.36	204.36	41.6	39.0	5.85	5.24
PLASTIC PRODUCTS	5.2	5.3	5.7	— 100	— 500	223.97	207.88	39.5	39.9	5.67	5.21
LEATHER PRODUCTS	3.3	3.3	3.4	0	— 100	152.28	127.09	36.0	35.6	4.23	3.57
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.1	5.9	5.5	— 800	— 400	204.61	172.66	38.9	38.2	5.26	4.52

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MANUFACTURING	3.5	4.3	3.8	2.4	3.1	3.1	4.6	4.1	6.3	1.7	2.1	2.6	2.2	1.3	2.6
DURABLE GOODS	2.4	3.3	3.4	1.6	2.2	2.9	3.4	3.6	4.3	1.2	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.7
Primary Metals	3.0	4.2	2.7	1.2	2.1	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.0	1.3	1.1	0.3	0.2	0.1
Fabricated Metals	3.0	3.2	3.8	2.2	2.6	3.4	2.9	3.1	3.5	1.1	1.9	2.0	1.0	0.5	0.5
Non-Elec. Mach.	1.3	2.1	2.6	0.8	1.5	1.9	1.5	1.9	3.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.5	2.1
Electrical Mach.	3.5	4.8	4.9	2.3	3.0	4.4	4.7	4.0	5.5	1.7	2.0	3.2	2.3	1.4	1.5
Instruments-Optical	1.0	2.6	2.5	0.7	2.2	2.0	2.5	2.4	7.5	0.8	1.2	1.4	1.3	0.7	5.3
OTHER DURABLE GOODS *	1.8	2.7	2.8	1.5	1.9	2.3	6.0	7.7	5.5	1.3	2.3	2.1	4.2	4.5	2.6
NONDUR. GOODS	4.3	5.1	4.0	3.0	3.8	3.2	5.4	4.5	7.7	2.0	2.5	3.2	2.6	1.3	3.3
Food-Beverage	10.0	6.8	8.8	6.9	4.2	7.1	5.0	3.5	15.5	4.2	2.6	7.4	0.1	0.3	7.4
Textiles	3.9	4.3	4.5	2.7	3.2	3.7	4.4	4.4	3.8	1.8	2.4	2.2	1.8	1.2	0.4
Apparel	7.6	4.4	5.9	2.3	1.9	3.2	7.9	3.8	7.1	1.1	0.8	2.0	6.2	2.0	3.2
Paper & Allied Prod.	4.6	7.4	2.5	3.5	5.0	2.0	11.9	3.7	5.6	1.8	2.0	3.0	9.0	0.6	1.6
Rubber & Plas.Prod.	3.4	3.7	3.3	2.2	2.4	2.2	3.7	3.7	4.0	1.6	2.7	1.9	0.8	0.1	0.9
Jewelry & Silverware	5.3	6.8	3.9	4.0	5.5	3.1	4.4	4.5	10.8	2.4	2.2	3.0	1.3	1.7	6.3
OTHER NONDURABLE GOODS **	1.5	3.0	3.1	1.2	2.4	2.8	7.4	5.2	5.6	1.5	3.2	4.0	5.2	1.3	0.7

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TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	Employment in Thousands			Net Change From	
	Dec. 1980	Nov. 1980	Dec. 1979	Nov. 1980	Dec. 1979
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	400.9	398.2	404.7	+ 2700	— 3800
MANUFACTURING	127.4	129.6	132.8	— 2200	— 5400
NONMANUFACTURING	273.5	268.6	271.9	+ 4900	+ 1600
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	12.6	12.6	14.0	0	— 1400
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.1	13.1	13.5	0	— 400
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	83.6	80.5	84.2	+ 3100	— 600
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	20.7	20.4	21.2	+ 300	— 500
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	82.8	81.9	79.4	+ 900	+ 3400
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	60.7	60.1	59.6	+ 600	+ 1100

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Employment in Transportation and Public Utilities firms numbered 13,100 in December, unchanged from the preceding month's total. Also holding steady was Construction industry employment, which averaged 12,600 in both November and December.

MANUFACTURING

The number of manufacturing employees in mid-December was estimated at 127,400. This showed a decrease of 2,200 jobs in the month, and was 5,400 jobs below last year. In the 19 manufacturing industry reporting groups for which employment data is estimated the monthly comparison showed 3 gains, 8 losses, and 8 with no change from the prior month.

Durable Goods employment remained unchanged in December at 55,500. A gain of 300 jobs in Transportation Equipment, to 8,100 and 100 in Electrical Machinery, to 11,000, was enough to offset losses of 200 (seasonal) in Stone, Clay, and Glass, and 100 jobs in Primary and Fabricated Metals. Over the year, Durable Goods employment was down by a net of 1,100 jobs, as substantial losses in Fabricated Metals (–1300) and Electrical Machinery (–800) together with more moderate losses in other industries more than offset gains of 1,600 jobs in Transportation Equipment and 300 in Lumber and Furniture products.

Nondurable Goods employment declined by 2,200 jobs in December, to 71,900. Jewelry/Silverware firms reported monthly losses of 1,200 jobs as a result of seasonal layoffs, to a level of 26,400 – 2,300 below last year's employment. Miscellaneous manufacturing firms reported losses of 800 workers in another seasonal related downturn, to a level of 5,100 jobs in December. Plastics, Paper Products and Food/Beverages firms, each reported a job loss of 100 workers in December, while Rubber Products posted the only gain (+ 100 jobs) in the Nondurable Goods sector.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings of the State's production and related workers in manufacturing industries rose by 6 cents in December to $5.84 per hour. This was up 51 cents over the average hourly wage reported in December, 1979.

Average weekly hours worked by these workers rose a full hour in the monthly comparison to 40.2 hours, and showed a .4 hour gain compared to a year ago. The resultant average weekly earnings for manufacturing workers were up $8.19 from November to December, reaching $234.77, a figure $22.64 higher than last December's total.

RHODE ISLAND

Labor Force — Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	Dec. 1980	Nov. 1980	Dec. 1979
Civilian Labor Force	469.6	463.6	452.1
Unemployment	31.7	28.5	29.7
Rate (Unadjusted)	6.8	6.1	6.6
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	7.0	7.0	6.9

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R. I. WORKFORCE DECLINED SEASONALLY IN JANUARY TO 392,700, BUT WAS UP 700 IN YEAR

Employment trends in January followed traditional patterns with sharp seasonal declines occurring in the Construction, Retail Trade, Services, and Jewelry/ Silverware segments of the State's economy, according to Mary C. Hackett, Director of the Department of Employment Security.

Preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics indicate 392,700 men and women were employed in Rhode Island in mid-January. While the monthly decline numbered 11,600, January employment was 700 higher than that reported one year ago.

EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES REVISED

Previously published estimates for 1979 and 1980 have been revised to a first quarter 1980 benchmark. Latest figures include data on new firms, expansion or contraction in existing firms not sampled as well as non-covered establishments, and also reflects changes in assigned industrial coding caused by product or service changes occurring in 1979-1980. The differences between total employment data previously published for January to December 1980 and the revised data for those months amount to an increase of about 1.2 percent.

NONMANUFACTURING JOBS DOWN

Expected seasonal influences dominated the January employment in the nonmanufacturing industries as sharp cutbacks occurred in Construction, Services, and Retail Trade. The latest estimate of 266,500 indicates a reduction of 8,900 jobs from December.

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EMPLOYERS: PROFIT BY EXPERIENCE EMPLOY THE OLDER WORKER

National Employ the Older Worker Week will be observed during the period March 8 — 14. It is an appropriate time for us to examine our attitudes toward older workers. It is also time for employers to consider carefully whether any lingering bias against older workers affects their employment practices. Hiring on the basis of ability, not age, is a matter of fairness. It is also good business.

Repeated studies have shown that by every common measure of job performance, older workers are at least as effective as younger workers. Workers hired after age 45 generally attain a higher performance rating in a shorter time than those hired before the age of 30.

The number of workdays lost for all reasons declines with age. Workers in every age group over 50 years lose fewer scheduled workdays than those in any age group under 50.

Workers over 45 can offer you the skills, judgment, reliability and maturity that come from experience. Your company can profit from their experience. List your job openings with the Job Bank at 277-3588 (toll-free Enterprise 2265) or contact the nearest office of the R. I. Job Service listed on page 4 of this Bulletin.

JOB SERVICE — EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980
Total Placements	1,614	1,785	1,768
New Applications	5,031	3,930	6,093
New Openings Received	2,430	2,288	2,947

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	% Change from Dec.
Initial Claims	14,641	28,868	— 49.3
No. of Payments	102,041	76,448	+ 33.5
Amt.of Payments	$9,031,288	$6,626,481	+ 36.3
Exhaustions	1,534	1,814	— 15.4

EXTENDED BENEFITS PROGRAM

Statistics for the Extended Benefits Program, the cost of which is shared by the State and the Federal Government, are presented below:

	Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	% Change from Dec.
Initial Claims	2,078	2,118	— 1.9
No. of Payments	16,701	17,810	— 6.2
Amt.of Payments	$1,608,377	$1,663,145	— 3.3

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed
JANUARY 1981

	Number	Percent
Sex and Age		
TOTAL	26,373	100.0
Men	15,375	58.3
Under 45	11,198	72.8
45 and over	4,177	27.2
Women	10,998	41.7
Under 45	6,583	59.9
45 and over	4,415	40.1
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	4,304	16.3
Manufacturing	9,757	37.0
Public Utilities	1,021	3.9
Trade	2,919	11.1
Finance-Insurance-Real Estate	492	1.9
Service	3,137	11.9
All Other	4,743	18.0
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Mgr.	2,462	9.3
Clerical and Sales	3,429	13.0
Service	1,915	7.3
Forestry, Fishery, and Rel.	1,130	4.3
Processing	912	3.5
Machine Trades	2,954	11.2
Bench Work	3,921	14.9
Structural Work	4,742	18.0
Miscellaneous	2,973	11.3
Not Available	1,935	7.3

Providence-Warwick-Pawtucket Labor Area

Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	Dec. 1980	Nov. 1980	Dec. 1979
Civilian Labor Force	465.3	458.6	451.5
Unemployment	30.5	27.7	29.4
Rate (Unadjusted)	6.6	6.0	6.5
Seas. Adjusted Rate	6.9	6.8	6.9

Newport Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	Dec. 1980	Nov. 1980	Dec. 1979
Civilian Labor Force	30,995	31,285	28,120
Unemployment	1,885	1,780	1,680
Rate (Unadjusted)	6.1	5.7	6.0

Westerly Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	Dec. 1980	Nov. 1980	Dec. 1979
Civilian Labor Force	13,965	13,915	12,770
Unemployment	935	810	750
Rate (Unadjusted)	6.7	5.8	5.9

LABOR SURPLUS AREAS

The following cities and towns have been classified as Labor Surplus Areas by the U. S. Department of Labor. The classifications are effective through May 31, 1981. Establishments located in these cities and towns are eligible for preference in receiving federal contracts.

Bristol
Central Falls
Charlestown
East Providence
Johnston
Narragansett
New Shoreham
North Providence
Providence
Warren
West Warwick
Woonsocket

ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS, AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT					PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES					
	In Thousands			Net Change From		Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
INDUSTRY GROUP	Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980	Jan. 1981	Jan. 1980	Jan. 1981	Jan. 1980	Jan. 1981	Jan. 1980
ALL MANUFACTURING	126.2	128.9	129.1	— 2700	— 2900	$233.05	$215.17	39.5	39.7	$5.90	$5.42
DURABLE GOODS	55.7	56.2	56.4	— 500	— 700	266.83	248.44	40.8	41.2	6.54	6.03
LUMBER-FURNITURE	2.1	2.1	1.9	0	+ 200	206.28	200.64	38.2	35.2	5.40	5.70
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	2.8	2.9	3.0	— 100	— 200	305.88	280.74	42.9	45.5	7.13	6.17
PRIMARY METALS	7.9	8.0	8.4†	— 100	— 500	291.89	269.55	44.7	43.9	6.53	6.14
FABRICATED METALS	9.2	9.6	10.0	— 400	— 800	222.22	210.65	37.6	38.3	5.91	5.50
NON-ELEC.MACHINERY	9.6	9.5	9.4	+ 100	+ 200	312.33	298.94	41.7	43.2	7.49	6.92
ELEC. MACHINERY	10.9	10.9	11.9	0	— 1000	215.84	197.93	37.8	37.7	5.71	5.25
TRANS. EQUIPMENT	8.3	8.1	6.5	+ 200	+ 1800	309.33	308.58	42.2	44.4	7.33	6.95
INSTRUMENTS	4.9	5.1	5.3	— 200	— 400	252.47	230.58	41.8	42.0	6.04	5.49
NONDURABLE GOODS	70.5	72.7	72.7	— 2200	— 2200	208.05	189.81	38.6	38.5	5.39	4.93
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.1	3.1	3.4	0	— 300	214.02	181.20	34.8	32.3	6.15	5.61
TEXTILES	12.1	12.3	12.7	— 200	— 600	219.98	204.40	41.9	41.8	5.25	4.89
APPAREL	3.5	3.5	3.5	0	0	210.25	184.17	41.8	40.3	5.03	4.57
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.9	2.9	2.9	0	0	222.72	206.63	39.7	40.2	5.61	5.14
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	5.6	5.4	5.3	+ 200	+ 300	287.04	281.30	39.0	39.9	7.36	7.05
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.0	3.1	+ 100	0	299.02	284.20	39.5	40.6	7.57	7.00
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0	233.16	183.05	40.2	35.0	5.80	5.23
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.2	5.4	— 100	— 300	234.99	215.47	40.1	40.2	5.86	5.36
LEATHER PRODUCTS	3.1	3.5	3.3	— 400	— 200	154.82	127.09	36.6	35.4	4.23	3.59
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	24.6	26.8	25.5	— 2200	— 900	176.78	164.13	36.3	36.8	4.87	4.46
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	5.7	5.3	5.9	+ 400	— 200	196.70	179.24	37.9	38.3	5.19	4.68

† LABOR DISPUTE

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LABOR TURNOVER RATES IN RHODE ISLAND
(Per 100 Employees)
December 1980

	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	TOTAL			NEW HIRES			TOTAL			QUITS			LAY-OFF RATES		
	Dec. 1980	Nov. 1980	Dec. 1979	Dec. 1980	Nov. 1980	Dec. 1979	Dec. 1980	Nov. 1980	Dec. 1979	Dec. 1980	Nov. 1980	Dec. 1979	Dec. 1980	Nov. 1980	Dec. 1979
MANUFACTURING	2.4	3.5	2.7	1.6	2.4	2.0	5.9	4.5	5.0	1.4	1.7	1.5	3.7	2.1	2.7
DURABLE GOODS	1.7	2.4	2.6	1.1	1.7	2.1	4.0	3.4	3.0	0.8	1.2	1.2	2.5	1.6	1.1
Primary Metals	1.7	3.4	1.8	1.1	1.8	1.3	3.0	2.1	1.3	1.0	1.2	0.6	1.5	0.3	0.2
Fabricated Metals	1.6	3.0	3.5	1.2	2.2	2.9	2.1	2.9	2.3	0.9	1.1	1.4	0.5	1.0	0.3
Non-Elec. Mach.	1.2	1.3	1.9	0.8	0.8	1.2	1.1	1.5	1.6	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.4
Electrical Mach.	2.7	3.5	3.3	1.7	2.4	2.8	8.0	4.5	4.1	1.4	1.7	2.3	5.9	2.0	1.2
Instruments-Optical	1.6	1.0	1.6	1.2	0.7	1.2	1.9	2.5	2.4	1.0	0.8	1.0	0.6	1.3	0.7
OTHER DURABLE GOODS *	2.0	1.8	2.9	0.9	1.5	2.2	6.2	6.0	5.4	0.5	1.3	1.0	4.9	4.2	3.6
NONDUR. GOODS	3.0	4.3	2.8	2.0	3.0	2.0	7.4	5.4	6.4	1.8	2.0	1.8	4.5	2.5	3.8
Food-Beverage	2.5	10.0	3.3	1.5	6.9	1.1	15.1	5.0	3.9	6.7	4.2	1.5	4.9	0.1	1.4
Textiles	3.9	3.9	3.4	2.4	2.7	2.7	4.1	4.4	3.1	1.4	1.8	1.8	1.4	1.8	0.4
Apparel	5.1	7.6	5.0	1.1	2.3	1.6	9.7	7.9	7.5	0.7	1.1	1.2	8.0	6.2	5.5
Paper & Allied Prod.	4.6	4.6	4.0	1.4	3.5	3.0	9.5	11.9	6.1	1.2	1.8	1.8	7.7	9.0	3.6
Rubber & Plas.Prod.	3.1	3.4	3.7	2.1	2.2	2.5	8.6	3.7	3.3	1.2	1.6	1.4	5.5	0.8	1.4
Jewelry & Silverware	1.4	5.3	1.8	1.0	4.0	1.4	6.2	4.4	9.9	1.3	2.4	1.6	4.0	1.3	7.8
OTHER NONDURABLE GOODS **	3.8	1.5	2.9	3.1	1.2	2.3	11.1	7.1	4.4	2.1	1.4	2.2	8.4	4.9	1.1

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TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	Employment in Thousands			Net Change From	
	Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT *	392.7	404.3	392.0	− 11,600	+ 700
MANUFACTURING	126.2	128.9	129.1	− 2,700	− 2,900
NONMANUFACTURING	266.5	275.4	262.9	− 8,900	+ 3,600
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	11.3	12.9	11.9	− 1,600	− 600
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.2	13.5	13.1	− 300	+ 100
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	80.2	84.4	78.9	− 4,200	+ 1,300
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	20.8	21.1	20.6	− 300	+ 200
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	81.7	83.5	78.8 †	− 1,800	+ 2,900
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	59.3	60.0	59.6	− 700	− 300

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The total was, however, 3,600 higher than the year ago figure.

The end of the holiday season resulted in the usual large decrease in Trade employment. The mid-January total of 80,200 was off 4,200 in the month (almost exclusively in retail trade), but was 1,300 above the January 1980 level.

Employment in the Services sector of the economy declined by 1,800 jobs in the month to 81,700 in January, but remained 2,900 above last January's Services employment. Contract construction jobs declined seasonally by 1,600, to a total of 11,300, down 600 in the year-to-year comparison. The Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate total of 20,800 was off 300 in the month but up 200 over the year. Transportation and Public Utilities firms, at 13,200, showed a monthly drop of 300, but a yearly gain of 100 jobs. Government payrolls reported a drop of 700 jobs in January to 59,300. Federal employment remained unchanged while State employment declined by 200 jobs and Local Governments reported a decline of 500 jobs.

FACTORY JOBS DECLINE

The number of manufacturing jobs, at 126,200, declined by 2,700 from December to January and by a similar (2,900) amount over the year. Slightly more than four out of every five jobs lost over the month were in the Nondurable Goods sector, led by a seasonal cutback of 2,200 Jewelry/Silverware workers. Leather products reported a drop of 400 jobs over the month, while Textiles and Plastics fell by 200 and 100 respectively. Miscellaneous manufacturing gained 400 jobs; Printing/Publishing was up by 200; and Chemicals increased by 100 jobs.

In the Durable Goods sector, Fabricated Metals showed a decrease of 400 jobs in the month; the Instruments sector was down by 200; Primary Metals and Stone, Clay and Glass firms were down 100 each. Transportation Equipment reported an increase of 200 jobs and Nonelectric Machinery gained 100 workers.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings of the State's production and related workers in manufacturing industries rose 48 cents over the year, while average weekly hours worked dropped by .2 hours, resulting in a yearly gain in gross average weekly earnings of $17.88, to a mid-January figure of $233.05.

RHODE ISLAND

Labor Force — Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980
Civilian Labor Force	459.5	469.6	459.4
Unemployment	37.1	31.7	35.0
Rate (Unadjusted)	8.1	6.8	7.6
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	7.2	7.0	6.8

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R. I. EMPLOYMENT DECLINES BY 1,000 IN FEBRUARY TO 391,700

Data reported by Rhode Island employers in February indicates continuing seasonal cutbacks in both manufacturing and nonmanufacturing jobs, according to Mary C. Hackett, Director of the Department of Employment Security.

Preliminary estimates, prepared by the Department of Employment Security in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, show that 391,700 men and women were employed in Rhode Island in mid-February. The monthly comparison shows a 1,000 job reduction, while over a one-year period, a gain of 900 jobs is evident.

NONMANUFACTURING

February job losses were concentrated in the Retail Trade sector, offset in large measure by gains in Services, as the number of nonmanufacturing jobs in the State dropped by 500 in the month to 266,000. This figure represents a gain, however, of 4,300 jobs over the February data of one year ago.

Retail Trade establishments continued their post-holiday decline with a monthly loss of 800 workers. Department Stores showed the largest monthly decline, with smaller downturns recorded in Food Stores, Apparel Shops, Auto Dealers and Gas Stations, and Miscellaneous Retail outlets. Still, the Trade sector, overall, shows a 1,400 job increase when compared to February of last year.

Contract Construction continued its seasonal decline, posting a lower than normal 200 job loss over the month, to a level of 11,100, still slightly higher than the 10,900 of one year ago, however.

Transportation and Public Utilities, at 13,100 in mid-February, and the Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate sector, at 20,700, each showed losses of 100

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TAX CREDITS AVAILABLE TO RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYERS

The Revenue Act of 1978 allows Rhode Island employers to add to their work force and get a tax break at the same time when workers are hired from seven "targeted" groups. The tax credit can total up to half of the first $6,000 in wages paid to such workers during their first full year on the job. The program is called the Targeted Jobs Tax Credit.

All private employers in a trade or business can take advantage of the tax credit. It is an incentive to hire people who normally have trouble finding jobs.

The "target groups" are:

- Handicapped persons referred from vocational rehabilitation programs or the VA.
- Youth 18 through 24 in economically-disadvantaged families.
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients.
- Vietnam-era veterans under 35 who are economically-disadvantaged.
- General assistance recipients over 30 days.
- Youth 16 through 18 in cooperative education programs.
- Ex-offenders who are economically disadvantaged and who are hired within 5 years of conviction or prison release.

The process is a simple one. When the worker applies for a job, he or she presents a voucher. When you hire the worker, you answer a few questions on the voucher and mail it back to your local Job Service office. Job Service, in turn, sends you a certification form on each worker. The form provides all the evidence you need to claim the tax credit. You claim the tax credit by filing IRS Form 5884 with your federal income tax return.

For further information about the TJTC program, call 277-3726 or contact the nearest office of the R. I. Job Service listed on the last page of this Bulletin. To list job orders, call the TJTC Job Bank at 277-6950.

JOB SERVICE — EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980
Total Placements	1,709	1,614	1,713
New Applications	4,908	5,031	5,390
New Openings Received	2,654	2,430	2,548

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	% Change from Jan.
Initial Claims	12,454	14,641	— 14.9
No. of Payments	83,556	99,759	— 16.2
Amt.of Payments	$7,795,472	$9,031,288	— 13.7
Exhaustions	1,499	1,534	— 2.3

EXTENDED BENEFITS PROGRAM

Statistics for the Extended Benefits Program, the cost of which is shared by the State and the Federal Government, are presented below:

	Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	% Change from Jan.
Initial Claims	1,729	2,078	— 16.8
No. of Payments	15,546	16,745	— 7.2
Amt.of Payments	$1,394,789	$1,608,377	— 13.3

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed
FEBRUARY 1981

	Number	Percent
Sex and Age		
TOTAL	23,184	100.0
Men	14,313	61.7
Under 45	10,181	71.1
45 and over	4,132	28.9
Women	8,871	38.3
Under 45	5,262	59.3
45 and over	3,609	40.7
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	4,727	20.4
Manufacturing	8,627	37.2
Public Utilities	942	4.1
Trade	2,653	11.4
Finance-Insurance-Real Estate	522	2.3
Service	2,363	10.6
All Other	3,350	14.4
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Mgr.	2,305	9.9
Clerical and Sales	2,900	12.5
Service	1,391	6.0
Forestry, Fishery, and Rel.	927	4.0
Processing	869	3.7
Machine Trades	2,117	9.1
Bench Work	3,857	16.6
Structural Work	4,915	21.2
Miscellaneous	2,522	10.9
Not Available	1,381	6.0

Providence-Warwick-Pawtucket Labor Area

Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980
Civilian Labor Force	456.7	461.1	449.6
Unemployment	36.4	28.6	34.5
Rate (Unadjusted)	7.9	6.2	7.7
Seas. Adjusted Rate	NA	NA	NA

NA Denotes Not Available

Newport Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980
Civilian Labor Force	29,530	29,905	27,460
Unemployment	2,275	1,730	2,020
Rate (Unadjusted)	7.7	5.8	7.4

Westerly Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980
Civilian Labor Force	13,915	13,735	12,425
Unemployment	1,145	860	895
Rate (Unadjusted)	8.2	6.3	7.2

LABOR SURPLUS AREAS

The following cities and towns have been classified as Labor Surplus Areas by the U. S. Department of Labor. The classifications are effective through May 31, 1981. Establishments located in these cities and towns are eligible for preference in receiving federal contracts.

Bristol
Central Falls
Charlestown
East Providence
Johnston
Narragansett
New Shoreham
North Providence
Providence
Warren
West Warwick
Woonsocket

ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS, AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN RHODE ISLAND

INDUSTRY GROUP	EMPLOYMENT In Thousands Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980	Net Change From Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980	PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES Weekly Earnings Feb. 1981	Feb. 1980	Weekly Hours Feb. 1981	Feb. 1980	Hourly Earnings Feb. 1981	Feb. 1980
ALL MANUFACTURING	125.7	126.2	129.1	— 500	— 3400	$235.82	$213.49	39.7	39.1	$5.94	$5.46
DURABLE GOODS	56.2	55.7	56.8	+ 500	— 600	269.21	246.00	41.1	41.0	6.55	6.00
LUMBER-FURNITURE	2.2	2.1	2.1	+ 100	+ 100	219.52	208.13	39.2	37.1	5.60	5.61
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	2.7	2.8	2.9	— 100	— 200	316.68	283.18	43.5	45.6	7.28	6.21
PRIMARY METALS	8.0	7.9	8.5†	+ 100	— 500	297.62	268.76	45.3	43.7	6.57	6.15
FABRICATED METALS	9.3	9.2	9.9	+ 100	— 600	225.20	210.53	38.3	38.7	5.88	5.44
NON-ELEC.MACHINERY	9.4	9.6	9.4	— 200	0	321.56	299.38	42.2	43.2	7.62	6.93
ELEC. MACHINERY	11.2	10.9	11.8	+ 300	— 600	218.86	199.12	38.6	38.0	5.67	5.24
TRANS. EQUIPMENT	8.4	8.3	6.8	+ 100	+ 1600	301.49	274.86	41.7	40.6	7.23	6.77
INSTRUMENTS	5.0	4.9	5.4	+ 100	— 400	252.35	232.68	40.9	42.0	6.17	5.54
NONDURABLE GOODS	69.5	70.5	72.3	—1000	— 2800	210.14	188.38	38.7	37.6	5.43	5.01
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.2	3.1	3.5	+ 100	— 300	223.17	187.82	34.6	33.6	6.45	5.59
TEXTILES	12.2	12.1	12.7	+ 100	— 500	220.70	203.35	41.8	41.5	5.28	4.90
APPAREL	3.6	3.5	3.5	+ 100	+ 100	210.91	178.48	41.6	39.4	5.07	4.53
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.9	2.9	— 200	— 200	235.98	215.13	41.4	40.9	5.70	5.26
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	5.8	5.6	5.3	+ 200	+ 500	273.80	288.08	36.9	39.9	7.42	7.22
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.1	3.1	0	0	296.72	278.31	39.3	38.6	7.55	7.21
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.3††	1.7	1.6	— 400	— 300	257.51	209.22	41.4	39.7	6.22	5.27
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.2	5.1	5.4	+ 100	— 200	235.39	208.29	40.1	38.5	5.87	5.41
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.8	3.1	3.2	— 300	— 400	157.13	124.20	37.5	34.5	4.19	3.60
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.6	24.6	25.2	—1000	— 1600	178.49	159.71	36.5	35.1	4.89	4.55
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.0	5.7	5.9	+ 300	+ 100	198.14	176.60	38.4	37.1	5.16	4.76

† Labor Dispute †† Plant Closing

1980 FIGURES REVISED. 1981 FIGURES ARE PRELIMINARY.
ESTIMATES ARE FOR PAY PERIOD WHICH INCLUDES THE 12TH OF THE MONTH.
COMPILED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY IN COOPERATION WITH THE U.S.BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS.

LABOR TURNOVER RATES IN RHODE ISLAND
(Per 100 Employees)
January 1981

	ACCESSION RATES TOTAL Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980	NEW HIRES Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980	SEPARATION RATES TOTAL Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980	QUITS Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980	LAY-OFF RATES Jan. 1981	Dec. 1980	Jan. 1980
MANUFACTURING	5.9	2.4	5.6	2.1	1.6	3.4	6.1	5.8	6.4	1.6	1.4	2.3	3.3	3.6	3.0
DURABLE GOODS	4.7	1.7	5.0	2.0	1.2	3.2	3.8	3.8	4.3	1.3	0.8	1.8	1.6	2.4	1.6
Primary Metals	3.0	1.7	3.4	1.5	1.1	2.5	2.6	3.0	2.7	1.3	1.0	1.5	0.5	1.5	0.3
Fabricated Metals	5.7	1.6	4.3	2.5	1.2	3.4	5.9	2.1	4.6	1.8	0.9	2.2	3.1	0.5	1.5
Non-Elec. Mach.	1.7	1.2	3.3	0.9	0.8	1.7	2.0	1.1	4.0	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.8	0.2	2.2
Electrical Mach.	8.8	2.7	5.0	2.6	1.7	4.0	3.8	8.0	5.6	1.9	1.4	2.8	1.1	5.9	1.8
Instruments-Optical	1.5	1.6	4.6	1.0	1.2	3.5	3.4	1.9	2.2	1.3	1.0	1.4	1.5	0.6	0.3
OTHER DURABLE GOODS *	4.7	1.8	8.1	2.8	1.0	4.2	4.3	4.7	4.3	1.2	0.5	1.7	1.9	3.7	1.7
NONDUR. GOODS	6.9	3.0	6.1	2.1	1.9	3.5	7.9	7.3	7.9	1.9	1.8	2.7	4.6	4.5	4.2
Food-Beverage	5.6	2.5	14.3	1.1	1.5	10.3	5.9	15.1	9.5	2.1	6.7	7.4	1.2	4.9	1.1
Textiles	4.5	3.9	4.7	2.6	2.4	3.5	5.8	4.1	5.0	1.4	1.4	2.3	3.3	1.4	1.5
Apparel	7.5	5.1	10.3	2.5	1.1	4.3	9.7	9.7	4.7	2.1	0.7	1.8	4.2	8.0	2.1
Paper & Allied Prod.	11.9	4.6	7.6	3.2	1.4	4.1	5.4	9.5	7.0	2.1	1.2	3.4	1.6	7.7	2.8
Rubber & Plas.Prod.	5.4	3.1	4.0	2.4	2.1	2.5	4.5	8.6	2.9	2.1	1.2	1.6	0.9	5.5	0.4
Jewelry & Silverware	3.1	1.4	4.3	1.8	1.0	3.3	11.7	6.0	11.9	1.8	1.3	2.2	9.1	3.9	9.0
OTHER NONDURABLE GOODS **	15.0	3.8	8.4	2.0	3.1	2.5	5.8	11.1	6.6	2.1	2.1	3.0	1.6	8.4	1.4

* RATES FOR JANUARY 1981 ARE PRELIMINARY. RATES FOR DECEMBER 1980 AND JANUARY 1980 ARE FINAL.

* INCLUDES: LUMBER AND WOOD PRODUCTS; STONE, CLAY AND GLASS PRODUCTS AND TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT.

** INCLUDES: PRINTING, PUBLISHING AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES; CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS; LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS AND MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	Employment in Thousands			Net Change From	
	Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980	Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT*	391.7	392.7	390.8	− 1,000	+ 900
MANUFACTURING	125.7	126.2	129.1	− 500	− 3,400
NONMANUFACTURING	266.0	266.5	261.7	− 500	+ 4,300
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	11.1	11.3	10.9	− 200	+ 200
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.1	13.2	12.9 †	− 100	+ 200
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	79.4	80.2	78.0	− 800	+ 1,400
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	20.7	20.8	20.6	− 100	+ 100
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	82.3	81.7	79.8 †	+ 600	+ 2,500
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	59.4	59.3	59.5	+ 100	− 100

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* FARMERS; SELF-EMPLOYED; DOMESTIC AND ARMED SERVICES PERSONNEL ARE EXCLUDED.

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over the month, with respective yearly gains of 200 and 100 jobs.

In the Services industries, a gain of 600 jobs was reported, reaching a level of 82,300, and reflecting a yearly gain of 2,500 jobs. Business Services and Private Education led the monthly job increases, while other sectors reported only marginal gains.

Government payrolls increased by 100 workers over the month, to 59,400 - about the same as last year. Gains in State and Local Education payrolls were mostly counterbalanced by declines in the Federal and Municipal non-educational payrolls.

MANUFACTURING

Current estimates show the number of workers in manufacturing establishments declined by 500 in mid-February to 125,700. The Durable Goods sector totaled 56,200, up 500 jobs in the month but down 600 over the year. In Nondurable Goods, the jobs total of 69,500 shows a loss of 1,000 workers in the month and represents a decline of 2,800 over the one-year period.

In Durable Goods, only the Stone, Clay and Glass (−100) and Non-electrical Machinery (−200) segments showed losses, to level of 2,700 and 9,400, respectively. All other Durable Goods segments reported job gains over the month, led by Electrical Machinery firms with a gain of 300 to 11,200.

In the Nondurable Goods sector, down 1,000 jobs to 69,500 in mid-February, seven of the eleven major industry segments showed little or no significant month-to-month change. Jewelry/Silverware declined to a level of 23,600 after losing 1,000 jobs over the month. Rubber Products firms showed a decline of 400 jobs to 1,300 in mid-February, entirely attributable to a single plant shutdown, and Leather Products establishments lost 300 jobs, in a general downturn, to a level of 2,800. Miscellaneous Manufacturing firms, on the other hand, reported a gain of 300 jobs in the month, bringing the total for these industries to 6,000.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Gross average hourly earnings for production and related workers in manufacturing establishments rose by 4 cents an hour in the month and by 48 cents over the twelve-month period. Average weekly hours worked or paid were also higher for the month (+.2 hours) and year (+.6 hours). Average weekly earnings for manufacturing workers stood at $235.82 in mid-February - up $2.77 in the month and $22.33 over the year.

RHODE ISLAND

Labor Force — Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980
Civilian Labor Force	462.9	459.5	453.8
Unemployment	40.2	37.1	36.7
Rate (Unadjusted)	8.7	8.1	8.1
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	7.6	7.3	7.3

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Construction 277-3559
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R. I. JOBS TOTAL ROSE 1,200 IN MARCH TO 392,900

Overall employment in Rhode Island increased in March despite job losses in Nondurable Manufacturing industries, according to Mary C. Hackett, Director of the Department of Employment Security.

Preliminary estimates prepared by the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, indicate that 392,900 workers were employed in mid-March. The monthly increase amounted to 1,200 jobs in the State, and places current employment within 200 jobs of the level recorded for March, 1980.

NONMANUFACTURING

March employment in Rhode Island's nonmanufacturing sectors increased seasonally by 1,900 over the February level. This brought the mid-month jobs total to 267,900, up 4,400 from the March, 1980 figure.

A gain of 1,100 jobs was posted by firms in the Services sector, occurring mostly in seasonal-sensitive industries such as Repair Shops, Amusement/Recreation, Social Services and Membership Organizations, as well as in Private Education (mostly student workers) and the Health Care field. Overall, employment in Services increased by 2,900 jobs in the year.

Government payrolls increased by 300 jobs over the month to 59,700. Federal Government employment rose by 200 jobs in the month – a return to normal levels after a February downturn. State employment rose by 100 jobs.

Residential and Heavy Construction both reported increased activity over the month as Contract Construction employment showed an increase of 200 jobs to 11,300 in mid-March. This is the first monthly increase in this industry since June of 1980. Over the year comparisons indicate an increase of 500 jobs.

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WANTED: EMPLOYERS WITH SUMMER JOBS

The 13th Annual Governor's Summer Jobs Council for needy students 16 to 21 years old is again being sponsored by the Department of Employment Security and the National Alliance of Business. The primary goal of the effort is to find summer jobs for students 16 - 21 with the emphasis on placing the most needy first.

Mary C. Hackett, Employment Security Director, urges all Rhode Island employers to list their 1981 summer job openings with the DES Job Bank as soon as possible. Call the Job Bank at 277-3588 or toll-free Enterprise 2265. Last year's campaign resulted in 653 jobs for young people in the private sector alone; twenty percent of these jobs went to minorities and sixty-five percent of the young people placed were economically disadvantaged. DES recruits young applicants through schools, community action programs and Call-A-Teen as well as through its own statewide system of local Job Service offices. All youth are referred directly to the Job Service for registration and placement.

Job orders for summer workers and for permanent additions to your workforce can be placed with the Job Bank or by calling any office of the Rhode Island Job Service. A listing appears on the last page of this Bulletin.

AN IMPORTANT REMINDER TO EMPLOYERS

Employment Security and Temporary Disability Insurance reports of employment wages and taxes for the quarter ending March 31, 1981, must be filed by April 30, 1981, with the Department of Employment Security, 24 Mason Street, Providence, R. I. Failure to make these reports and to pay required taxes by the due date will make employers liable to penalties and additional interest charges. "No Payroll" reports must be submitted in those cases where no wages were paid during the quarter covered by the report.

JOB SERVICE — EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	March 1981	Feb. 1981	March 1980
Total Placements	2,218	1,709	1,588
New Applications	5,642	4,908	4,445
New Openings Received	2,932	2,654	2,608

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	March 1981	Feb. 1981	% Change from Feb.
Initial Claims	10,228	12,454	− 17.9
No. of Payments	85,403	83,556	+ 2.2
Amt. of Payments	$8,013,831	$7,795,472	+ 2.8
Exhaustions	2,049	1,499	+ 36.7

EXTENDED BENEFITS PROGRAM

Statistics for the Extended Benefits Program, the cost of which is shared by the State and the Federal Government, are presented below:

	Mar. 1981	Feb. 1981	% Change From Feb.
Initial Claims	1,891	1,729	+ 9.4
No. of Payments	17,260	15,546	+ 11.0
Amt. of Payments	$1,601,656	$1,394,789	+ 14.8

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed
MARCH 1981

	Number	Percent
Sex and Age		
TOTAL	21,624	100.0
Men	12,697	58.7
Under 45	8,838	69.6
45 and over	3,859	30.4
Women	8,927	41.3
Under 45	5,600	62.7
45 and over	3,327	37.3
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	3,535	16.3
Manufacturing	8,876	41.0
Public Utilities	767	3.5
Trade	2,288	10.6
Finance-Insurance-Real Estate	520	2.4
Service	2,327	10.8
All Other	3,311	15.3
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Mgr.	1,950	9.0
Clerical and Sales	2,820	13.0
Service	1,235	5.7
Forestry, Fishery, and Rel.	858	4.0
Processing	793	3.7
Machine Trades	2,145	9.9
Bench Work	3,951	18.3
Structural Work	3,899	18.0
Miscellaneous	2,521	11.7
Not Available	1,452	6.7

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Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980
Civilian Labor Force	459.6	456.7	452.5
Unemployment	39.3	36.4	36.5
Rate (Unadjusted)	8.6	8.0	8.1
Seas. Adjusted Rate	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

N.A. Denotes Not Available

Newport Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980
Civilian Labor Force	30,100	29,530	28,140
Unemployment	2,555	2,275	2,120
Rate (Unadjusted)	8.5	7.7	7.5

Westerly Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980
Civilian Labor Force	14,130	13,915	12,710
Unemployment	1,280	1,145	905
Rate (Unadjusted)	9:1	8.2	7.1

LABOR SURPLUS AREAS

The following cities and towns have been classified as Labor Surplus Areas by the U. S. Department of Labor. The classifications are effective through May 31, 1981. Establishments located in these cities and towns are eligible for preference in receiving federal contracts.

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS, AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN RHODE ISLAND

INDUSTRY GROUP	EMPLOYMENT In Thousands			EMPLOYMENT Net Change From		PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
	Mar. 1981	Feb. 1981	Mar. 1980	Feb. 1981	Mar. 1980	Mar. 1981	Mar. 1980	Mar. 1981	Mar. 1980	Mar. 1981	Mar. 1980
ALL MANUFACTURING	125.0	125.7	129.6	— 700	— 4600	$237.80	$216.31	39.7	39.4	$5.99	$5.49
DURABLE GOODS	56.5	56.2	57.2	+ 300	— 700	269.28	249.45	40.8	41.3	6.60	6.04
LUMBER-FURNITURE	2.2	2.2	2.2	0	0	224.65	209.25	38.6	37.3	5.82	5.61
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	2.6	2.7	3.0	— 100	— 400	318.69	296.30	43.3	48.1	7.36	6.16
PRIMARY METALS	8.1	8.0	8.6	+ 100	— 500	296.12	265.25	44.0	43.2	6.73	6.14
FABRICATED METALS	9.3	9.3	9.9	0	— 600	227.92	210.37	38.5	38.6	5.92	5.45
NON-ELEC.MACHINERY	9.5	9.4	9.4	+ 100	+ 100	326.83	305.64	42.5	43.6	7.69	7.01
ELEC. MACHINERY	11.4	11.2	11.8	+ 200	— 400	217.55	203.37	38.1	38.3	5.71	5.31
TRANS. EQUIPMENT	8.4	8.4	6.8	0	+ 1600	290.80	284.42	40.9	41.4	7.11	6.87
INSTRUMENTS	5.0	5.0	5.5	0	— 500	254.41	234.63	41.1	42.2	6.19	5.56
NONDURABLE GOODS	68.5	69.5	72.4	— 1000	— 3900	213.01	191.02	38.8	37.9	5.49	5.04
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.0	3.2	3.2	— 200	— 200	237.18	203.99	35.4	35.6	6.70	5.73
TEXTILES	12.3	12.2	12.7	+ 100	— 400	221.87	202.11	42.1	41.5	5.27	4.87
APPAREL	3.6	3.6	3.5	0	+ 100	208.59	182.28	40.9	39.8	5.10	4.58
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.7	2.9	0	— 200	226.49	213.72	40.3	41.1	5.62	5.20
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	5.7	5.8	5.3	— 100	+ 400	278.94	283.29	36.8	39.9	7.58	7.10
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.1	3.1	0	0	306.50	277.02	39.6	38.0	7.74	7.29
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.2	1.3	1.7	— 100	— 500	257.71	232.74	41.3	43.1	6.24	5.40
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.2	5.4	— 100	— 300	234.99	208.13	40.1	38.4	5.86	5.42
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.8	3.1	— 100	— 400	164.69	133.46	38.3	35.4	4.30	3.77
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.0	23.6	25.6	— 600	— 2600	182.66	162.98	36.9	35.2	4.95	4.63
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.1	6.0	5.9	+ 100	+ 200	200.55	174.74	38.2	37.1	5.25	4.71

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LABOR TURNOVER RATES IN RHODE ISLAND
(Per 100 Employees)
January 1981

	ACCESSION RATES TOTAL			ACCESSION RATES NEW HIRES			SEPARATION RATES TOTAL			SEPARATION RATES QUITS			SEPARATION RATES LAY-OFF RATES		
	Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980	Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980	Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980	Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980	Feb. 1981	Jan. 1981	Feb. 1980
MANUFACTURING	3.8	5.8	4.2	2.2	2.1	2.8	3.3	6.0	4.5	1.3	1.6	2.0	1.2	3.2	1.4
DURABLE GOODS	3.3	4.4	3.8	2.4	2.0	2.6	2.1	3.6	3.3	1.1	1.2	1.8	0.3	1.5	0.7
Primary Metals	2.3	2.9	2.9	1.7	1.5	2.6	1.4	2.5	2.2	0.8	1.2	1.3	0.2	0.5	0.2
Fabricated Metals	3.2	5.0	3.1	2.6	2.2	2.6	2.2	5.0	3.1	1.3	1.6	2.1	0.2	2.6	0.2
Non-Elec. Mach.	1.7	1.7	3.8	0.9	0.9	1.7	1.3	2.0	1.9	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.3	0.8	0.5
Electrical Mach.	5.0	8.2	4.8	3.9	2.5	3.6	2.8	3.6	4.8	1.8	1.8	3.0	0.2	1.0	0.9
Instruments-Optical	0.9	1.5	4.4	0.5	1.0	3.1	1.3	3.4	2.7	0.6	1.3	1.6	0.3	1.5	0.5
OTHER DURABLE GOODS *	3.1	4.7	3.8	1.8	2.8	2.5	2.2	4.3	4.0	1.0	1.2	1.6	0.3	1.9	1.5
NONDUR. GOODS	4.1	6.9	4.6	2.1	2.1	3.0	4.3	7.9	5.3	1.5	1.9	2.2	2.0	4.6	2.0
Food-Beverage	2.6	5.6	7.4	1.2	1.1	5.3	5.3	5.9	9.5	1.9	2.1	6.6	2.3	1.2	1.9
Textiles	4.4	4.5	4.6	2.0	2.6	3.7	2.9	5.8	4.6	1.4	1.4	2.4	0.7	3.3	1.0
Apparel	5.9	7.5	4.6	2.6	2.5	1.9	6.0	9.7	5.2	1.1	2.1	1.1	4.2	4.2	2.5
Paper & Allied Prod.	4.0	11.9	4.4	3.1	3.2	2.4	6.2	5.4	8.1	1.6	2.1	2.9	3.4	1.6	2.8
Rubber & Plas.Prod.	2.9	5.4	4.8	1.9	2.4	3.3	3.9	4.5	4.4	1.4	2.1	2.1	1.3	0.9	0.6
Jewelry & Silverware	4.9	3.1	5.0	2.3	1.8	3.0	4.6	11.7	5.2	1.4	1.8	1.8	2.7	9.1	2.8
OTHER NONDURABLE GOODS **	3.1	15.0	3.1	1.8	2.0	2.1	3.9	5.8	5.0	1.5	2.1	1.9	1.3	1.6	1.7

RATES FOR FEBRUARY 1981 ARE PRELIMINARY. RATES FOR JANUARY 1981 AND FEBRUARY 1980 ARE FINAL.

* INCLUDES: LUMBER AND WOOD PRODUCTS; STONE, CLAY AND GLASS PRODUCTS AND TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT.

** INCLUDES: PRINTING, PUBLISHING AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES; CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS; LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS AND MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

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TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	Employment in Thousands			Net Change From	
	March 1981	Feb. 1981	March 1980	Feb. 1981	March 1980
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT*	392.9	391.7	393.1	+ 1200	— 200
MANUFACTURING	125.0	125.7	129.6	— 700	— 4600
NONMANUFACTURING	267.9	266.0	263.5	+ 1900	+ 4400
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	11.3	11.1	10.8	+ 200	+ 500
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.2	13.1	13.0†	+ 100	+ 200
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	79.5	79.4	78.6	+ 100	+ 900
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	20.8	20.7	20.8	+ 100	0
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	83.4	82.3	80.5	+ 1100	+ 2900
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	59.7	59.4	59.8	+ 300	— 100

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Transportation and Public Utilities (11,300), Trade (79,500), and the Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate sector (20,800) each reported employment increases of 100 workers. Current employment for these industries are at or above last year's levels.

FACTORY JOBS DECLINE

Rhode Island manufacturing jobs numbered 125,000 in March, a drop of 700 from the mid-February total and down 4,600 from the level of a year ago. These monthly and yearly job losses were concentrated in the Nondurable Goods sector, primarily in the Jewelry-Silverware industry.

Durable Goods employment rose by 300 jobs in the month, to 56,500, but remained 700 below last year's total. Electrical machinery manufacturing recovered somewhat from its recent downturn and added 200 jobs in March to a level of 11,400.

Monthly gains of 100 jobs each were reported for firms in Primary Metals (8,100) and Nonelectrical Machinery (9,500), while a loss of 100 jobs occurred in Stone, Clay, and Glass manufacturing (2,600). The remaining four Durable Goods segments remained even with last month's employment levels.

Nondurable Goods employment numbered 68,500 in March, a decline of 1,000 jobs from February and 3,900 since last year. Jewelry/Silverware firms experienced a further employment cutback, losing 600 jobs in the month to 23,000, and are down 2,600 jobs over the year. Employment in this industry is at its lowest March level since the recession year of 1975. Food/Beverage firms lost 200 workers (to 3,000) in a seasonally related downturn in one large establishment.

Losses of 100 jobs each were reported by manufacturers in Printing/Publishing (5,700), Rubber Products (1,200), Plastics (5,100), and Leather Products (2,700). Gains of 100 workers each were seen in Textiles and Miscellaneous manufacturing. Employment in Apparel and Paper Products firms remained even with last month.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Gross average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's manufacturing production and related workforce rose 5 cents in the month to $5.99 an hour, up 50 cents over the year. Average weekly hours worked or paid remained even over the month at 39.7 hours. Resulting average weekly earnings for these workers rose $1.98 over the month and $21.49 since March, 1980

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force — Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	Mar. 1981	Feb. 1981	Mar. 1980
Civilian Labor Force	464.5	462.9	456.0
Unemployment	38.3	40.2	34.4
Rate (Unadjusted)	8.2	8.7	7.5
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	7.7	7.6	7.1

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NEWPORT, 268 Bellevue Avenue 847-2038
PAWTUCKET, 109 Main St. 722-7500
PROVIDENCE, 40 Fountain St.
Professional, Clerical & Sales 277-3579
Jewelry 277-3553
Manufacturing 277-3556
Construction 277-3559
Hotel, Hospital, Household & Restaurant 277-3559
NO. KINGSTOWN, 7734 Post Rd. 294-9923
NO.PROVIDENCE, 1951 Smith St. . . . 231-5290
QUONSET POINT, Bldg. No. 523 277-3521
294-4505
WAKEFIELD, Washington County Gov't Center, Tower Hill Road 789-9721
WARREN, 470 Metacom Avenue 245-9300
WARWICK, 50 Airport Road. 737-7550
WESTERLY, 57 Spruce Street 596-2814
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RHODE ISLAND JOBS TOTAL ROSE 3,500 IN APRIL TO 396,400

Seasonal hiring in the Services, Construction, and Trade industries and the first overall gain in Nondurable Goods manufacturing in four months raised Rhode Island's jobs total to its highest level of the year, according to Mary C. Hackett, Director of the Department of Employment Security.

Preliminary estimates prepared by the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, indicate that the State's employment reached 396,400 in mid-April. This represented an increase of 3,500 jobs over the prior month, but was 1,800 below last year's total.

NONMANUFACTURING

Analysis of current data indicate there were 2,900 more workers employed in nonmanufacturing industries in April than in March. The current figure of 270,800 is 2,300 above last April's level.

A monthly gain of 1,300 was posted by firms in the Services sector, occurring mostly in seasonal industires such as Amusement/Recreation and Hotels and Motels, as well as in Private Education and the Health care field. Overall, employment in Services increased by 2,400 jobs in the year.

Construction jobs showed a smaller than normal seasonal increase, but still added 1,000 jobs overall in April to reach 12,300, the same employment level as last year. Highway and other heavy construction showed typical seasonal growth, while employment in the General Contractors and the closely allied Special Trades segments of the industry added fewer than normal numbers of workers for this time of year.

The Trades sector showed a growth of 900 jobs over the month to a level of 80,400 in mid-April -

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SUMMER JOBS NEEDED

Employers are urged to list their 1981 summer job openings with the Department of Employment Security Job Bank as soon as possible.

Thousands of young people from high school and college classrooms will be seeking jobs to help finance their education in the fall. For many of these young people the continuation of their studies depends heavily on their ability to finance it through summer employment.

Work experience this summer will give potential members of the Rhode Island work force an understanding and a knowledge of the world of work that will make them aware of the various opportunities in Rhode Island. It will also enable them to become better job candidates in the future.

Orders for summer jobs can be placed by calling the Job Bank at 277-3588; employers outside the metropolitan area can call the toll-free Enterprise 2265. A complete listing of the Rhode Island Job Service offices is on the last page of this Bulletin.

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NOTICE

The R. I. Job Service relocated its North Kingstown office to 7734 Post Road, to serve employers and job seekers in the towns of Exeter, North Kingstown and Jamestown. Hours are 8:30 to 4:30, Monday through Friday and the telephone is 294-9923.

JOB SERVICE — EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	April 1981	March 1981	April 1980
Total Placements	2,012	2,218	1,926
New Applications	4,797	5,642	4,579
New Openings Received	2,960	2,932	3,086

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	April 1981	March 1981	% Change from March
Initial Claims	11,825	10,228	+ 15.6
No. of Payments	73,440	85,403	— 14.0
Amt.of Payments	$6,729,179	$8,013,831	— 16.0
Exhaustions	1,798	2,049	— 12.2

EXTENDED BENEFITS PROGRAM

Statistics for the Extended Benefits Program, the cost of which is shared by the State and the Federal Government, are presented below:

	April 1981	March 1981	% Change from March
Initial Claims	1,968	1,891	+ 4.1
No. of Payments	17,694	17,260	+ 2.5
Amt.of Payments	$1,655,406	$1,601,656	+ 3.4

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed

APRIL 1981

	Sex and Age Number	Percent
TOTAL	16,825	100.0
Men	8,709	51.8
Under 45	6,651	76.4
45 and over	2,058	23.6
Women	8,116	48.2
Under 45	4,896	60.3
45 and over	3,220	39.7
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	1,874	11.1
Manufacturing	8,063	47.9
Public Utilities	580	3.5
Trade	2,072	12.3
Finance-Insurance-Real Estate	541	3.2
Service	1,939	11.5
All Other	1,756	10.5
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Mgr.	1,597	9.5
Clerical and Sales	2,903	17.3
Service	1,200	7.1
Forestry, Fishery, and Rel.	198	1.2
Processing	660	3.9
Machine Trades	1,782	10.6
Bench Work	3,457	20.5
Structural Work	2,257	13.4
Miscellaneous	2,099	12.5
Not Available	672	4.0

Providence-Warwick-Pawtucket Labor Area

Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	March 1981	Feb. 1981	March 1980
Civilian Labor Force	460.6	459.6	454.1
Unemployment	37.6	39.3	34.3
Rate (Unadjusted)	8.2	8.6	7.6
Seas.Adjusted Rate	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

N.A. Denotes Not Available

Newport Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	March 1981	Feb. 1981	March 1980
Civilian Labor Force	30,420	30,100	28,405
Unemployment	2,355	2,555	1,810
Rate (Unadjusted)	7.7	8.5	6.4

Westerly Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	March 1981	Feb. 1981	March 1980
Civilian Labor Force	14,190	14,130	12,920
Unemployment	1,125	1,280	840
Rate (Unadjusted)	7.9	9.1	6.5

LABOR SURPLUS AREAS

The following cities and towns have been classified as Labor Surplus Areas by the U. S. Department of Labor. The classifications are effective through May 31, 1981. Establishments located in these cities and towns are eligible for preference in receiving federal contracts.

Bristol
Central Falls
Charlestown
East Providence
Johnston
Narragansett
New Shoreham
North Providence
Providence
Warren
West Warwick
Woonsocket

ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN RHODE ISLAND

INDUSTRY GROUP	EMPLOYMENT In Thousands			EMPLOYMENT Net Change From		PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
	Apr. 1981	Mar. 1981	Apr. 1980	Mar. 1981	Apr. 1980	Apr. 1981	Apr. 1980	Apr. 1981	Apr. 1980	Apr. 1981	Apr. 1980
ALL MANUFACTURING	125.6	125.0	129.7	+ 600	— 4100	$234.00	$214.42	39.0	39.2	$6.00	$5.47
DURABLE GOODS	56.5	56.5	57.3	0	— 800	264.14	245.42	39.9	40.7	6.62	6.03
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.2	2.2	2.2	0	0	219.37	215.42	36.2	38.4	6.06	5.61
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	2.6	2.6	3.1	0	— 500	301.43	286.12	40.9	46.6	7.37	6.14
PRIMARY METALS	8.2	8.1	8.5	+ 100	— 300	298.32	257.61	44.0	42.3	6.78	6.09
FABRICATED METALS	9.4	9.3	9.8	+ 100	— 400	222.81	205.88	37.7	37.5	5.91	5.49
NON-ELEC. MACHINERY	9.5	9.5	9.5	0	0	320.49	302.02	41.3	42.9	7.76	7.04
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	11.3	11.4	11.9	— 100	— 600	211.30	204.91	37.2	38.3	5.68	5.35
TRANS. EQUIPMENT	8.3	8.4	6.8	— 100	+ 1500	284.89	278.51	39.9	41.2	7.14	6.76
INSTRUMENTS	5.0	5.0	5.5	0	— 500	251.54	228.11	40.9	41.4	6.15	5.51
NONDURABLE GOODS	69.1	68.5	72.4	+ 600	— 3300	210.27	189.50	38.3	37.9	5.49	5.00
FOOD-BEVERAGE	2.9	3.0	3.0	— 100	— 100	247.23	215.18	36.9	37.1	6.70	5.80
TEXTILES	12.3	† 12.3	12.8	0	— 500	222.39	200.79	42.2	41.4	5.27	4.85
APPAREL	3.6	3.6	3.6	0	0	185.47	182.34	36.8	39.9	5.04	4.57
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.6	2.7	2.8	— 100	— 200	215.28	202.10	39.0	40.1	5.52	5.04
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	5.8	5.7	5.4	+ 100	+ 400	279.24	279.85	35.8	38.6	7.80	7.25
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.1	3.1	0	0	303.11	283.80	37.1	38.3	8.17	7.41
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.3	1.2	1.7	+ 100	— 400	252.10	211.92	41.6	39.1	6.06	5.42
PASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.1	5.3	0	— 200	231.66	209.52	39.6	38.8	5.85	5.40
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.7	3.1	0	— 400	160.39	137.21	37.3	36.3	4.30	3.78
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.4	23.0	25.5	+ 400	— 2100	181.42	161.42	36.8	35.4	4.93	4.56
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.3	6.1	6.1	+ 200	+ 200	198.68	176.61	37.7	37.9	5.27	4.66

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MANUFACTURING	3.2	3.7	4.3	2.2	2.2	2.9	3.6	3.3	4.6	1.4	1.3	1.9	1.5	1.2	1.9
DURABLE GOODS	2.5	3.2	4.0	2.0	2.3	3.1	2.5	2.2	3.0	1.3	1.1	1.7	0.5	0.4	0.6
Primary Metals	2.3	2.1	3.5	2.0	1.6	3.1	2.3	1.4	3.1	1.4	0.8	1.1	0.5	0.2	1.4
Fabricated Metals	2.9	3.2	3.7	2.2	2.6	3.3	2.9	2.2	3.7	1.4	1.3	2.2	0.3	0.2	0.5
Non-Elec. Mach.	1.6	1.7	2.6	1.1	0.9	1.7	1.4	1.3	1.9	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.3
Electrical Mach.	3.9	4.8	4.8	3.2	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.2	3.5	2.3	1.8	2.6	0.5	0.6	0.3
Instruments-Optical	1.3	1.2	5.1	0.8	0.6	4.3	1.8	1.3	2.1	1.0	0.6	1.7	0.2	0.3	0.1
OTHER DURABLE GOODS *	2.2	3.1	5.6	1.8	1.8	4.1	2.4	2.2	3.3	1.1	1.0	1.8	0.6	0.3	0.6
NONDUR. GOODS	3.8	4.1	4.5	2.3	2.1	2.7	4.6	4.2	5.9	1.5	1.5	2.1	2.3	1.9	2.9
Food-Beverage	2.2	2.6	3.3	1.2	1.2	1.9	10.6	5.3	3.2	0.8	1.9	1.4	8.9	2.3	1.5
Textiles	3.5	4.4	5.7	2.6	2.0	4.5	4.6	2.9	4.6	1.4	1.4	2.6	2.2	0.7	0.7
Apparel	6.0	5.9	5.5	3.3	2.6	2.4	3.2	6.0	4.3	1.3	1.1	1.6	1.0	4.2	1.6
Paper & Allied Prod.	3.8	4.0	3.9	1.7	3.1	2.7	4.4	6.2	4.1	1.2	1.6	2.3	1.7	3.4	0.9
Rubber & Plas.Prod.	3.0	3.9	4.2	2.4	2.6	3.3	4.8	4.3	4.5	1.6	1.6	2.1	1.9	1.2	1.1
Jewelry & Silverware	4.6	4.9	4.5	2.5	2.3	1.9	3.5	4.6	7.3	1.3	1.4	2.1	1.7	2.7	4.8
OTHER NONDURABLE GOODS **	3.2	2.9	3.6	2.1	1.7	2.5	4.9	3.7	6.2	1.9	1.5	2.0	2.2	1.2	3.2

RATES FOR MARCH 1981 ARE PRELIMINARY. RATES FOR FEBRUARY 1981 AND MARCH 1980 ARE FINAL.

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TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	Employment in Thousands			Net Change From	
	April 1981	March 1981	April 1980	March 1981	April 1980
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT*	396.4	392.9	398.2	+ 3500	— 1800
MANUFACTURING	125.6	125.0	129.7	+ 600	— 4100
NONMANUFACTURING	270.8	267.9	268.5	+ 2900	+ 2300
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	12.3	11.3	12.3	+ 1000	0
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.3	13.2	13.0 †	+ 100	+ 300
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	80.4	79.5	80.0	+ 900	+ 400
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	20.8	20.8	20.8	0	0
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	84.7	83.4	82.3	+ 1300	+ 2400
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	59.3	59.7	60.1	— 400	— 800

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up 400 over the previous year's level. Most of this employment increase was centered in the seasonal-sensitive eating and drinking establishments; however, gains were also reported for building materials retailers, food stores, and miscellaneous retail stores, as well as in wholesale trade establishments.

Transportation and Public Utilities reported a gain of 100 workers in the month to 13,300, while Finance, Insurance and Real Estate firms remained even at 20,800.

Government payrolls declined by 400 jobs over the month (all in the Local Government sector) and now stands at 59,300. The current level represents an 800 job decline from April 1980, mostly attributable to last year's Federal Government buildup to conduct the 1980 census.

MANUFACTURING

The number of manufacturing jobs in Rhode Island grew by 600 to 125,600 in mid-April. The current total represents a decline of 4,100 jobs over the past year.

Employment in the Durable Goods sector remained even over the month at 56,500 - a level 800 below last year's total. Monthly employment increases of 100 jobs each were recorded in the Primary and Fabricated Metals industries, but were offset by worker losses of 100 each in Electrical Machinery and Transportation Equipment. All other Durable Goods segments remained even over the month.

In the Nondurable Goods sector, employment rose by 600 for the month, but the April total of 69,100 is 3,300 below the level recorded in the same month last year. Nearly two-thirds (2,100) of this annual job loss occurred in the Jewelry-Silverware industries.

Although Jewelry-Silverware was down when compared to a year ago, the April jobs total of 23,400 was up by 400 from the previous month. Miscellaneous manufacturing employment rose by 200 jobs to 6,300 in mid-April, while gains of 100 jobs each were seen in Rubber Products and Printing/Publishing. Food/Beverage and Paper Products firms each lost 100 workers in the month, while all other Nondurable segments were stable.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Gross average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production and related workers rose 1 cent over the month to $6.00 an hour, and was up 53 cents over the year. Average weekly hours worked or paid declined .7 hours in the month, and .2 hours over the year. Resulting average weekly earnings for these workers declined by $3.80 over the month but showed a $19.58 gain over the year.

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force — Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	April 1981	March 1981	April 1980
Civilian Labor Force	466.3	464.5	462.4
Unemployment	35.1	38.3	34.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	7.5	8.2	7.4
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	7.5	7.7	7.3

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R. I. JOBS INCREASE 1,600 IN MAY TO 398,000

Continued seasonal hiring in the Services, Trade and Construction Industries, although less than normal for this time of year, was more than enough to offset a slight decline in manufacturing jobs, raising the Rhode Island jobs total to its highest level of the year, according to Mary C. Hackett, Director of the Department of Employment Security.

Preliminary estimates prepared by the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, indicate that the State's employment reached 398,000 in mid-May. This represents an increase of 1,600 jobs over the April figure, but a decline of 1,800 jobs compared to a year ago.

NONMANUFACTURING

Analysis of current data indicates there were 1,900 more workers employed in nonmanufacturing industries in May than in April. The current figure of 272,700 is 1,000 above last May's level.

The largest monthly gain of 1,200 was posted by firms in the Services sector, occurring mostly in seasonal sensitive industries, such as Amusement/Recreation, Hotels and Motels, and Landscaping, as well as continuing growth in the Health Care field. Overall, employment in Services increased by 2,500 jobs in the year.

The Trades sector showed a less than normal growth of 400 jobs over the month to a level of 80,800 in mid-May – down 100 over the previous year's level. Most of the employment increase was centered in the seasonally responsive eating and drinking establishments, which was offset in large measure by downturns in Department Store employment and in Miscellaneous Retail outlets.

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NOTICE TO EMPLOYERS

Highlights of changes in the R. I. Employment Security/Temporary Disability Insurance Acts enacted in the 1981 R. I. General Assembly session:

- – Repeal of the 6% delinquency rate applied to employers who fail to make timely tax payments to the Department.
- – Interest rate increase from 1.0% to 1.5% on the unpaid balance of ES and TDI taxes due the Department.
- – Failure to file a timely tax report continues to carry a $10 penalty; the additional penalty on the amount of unpaid contributions has been increased from 8% to 10%.
- – Beginning January 1, 1982 you must deduct TDI contributions from the employee's wages at a rate of 1.2% of the taxable wage base. The taxable wage base will be computed and publicized in November, 1981.
- – TDI maximum weekly benefit rate computed at 60% (up from 50%) of the average weekly wage in TDI covered employment for benefit years beginning 7/1/81.
- – TDI maximum weekly benefit rate is $140 (up from $107) for benefit years beginning 7/1/81. Dependency allowance up to $5 per child under 18.
- – Minimum earnings requirements for TDI up to $62 in each of 20 weeks (up from $20) or total wages of $3,720 for benefit years beginning 7/1/81.
- – Lump-sum TDI maternity benefit is eliminated. Pregnancy is treated as any other non-work related illness. Physician must certify to the disability due to the pregnancy.
- – Eligibility for Extended Unemployment Benefits is redefined in areas of "work search" and "suitable work". Benefits may be denied if claimant fails to meet certain specific requirements.
- – Person filing a claim for Extended Benefits in a state that is not in an Extended Benefit period against a state that is in such a period will be eligible for only two additional weeks of benefits. Person filing claim in a state that is "on" Extended Benefits against a state that is "off" EB is not eligible for benefits. If both agent and paying states are in an Extended Benefit period, benefits may continue longer than two weeks, provided other eligibility criteria are satisfied.

JOB SERVICE — EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	May 1981	April 1981	May 1980
Total Placements	1,571	2,012	1,810
New Applications	4,710	4,797	4,918
New Openings Received	2,484	2,960	2,699

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	May 1981	April 1981	% Change from April
Initial Claims	8,863	11,825	- 25.0
No. of Payments	58,435	73,440	- 20.4
Amt.of Payments	$5,314,740	$6,729,179	- 21.0
Exhaustions	1,649	1,798	- 8.3

EXTENDED BENEFITS PROGRAM

Statistics for the Extended Benefits Program, the cost of which is shared by the State and the Federal Government, are presented below:

	May 1981	April 1981	% Change from April
Initial Claims	1,770	1,968	- 10.1
No. of Payments	15,501	17,694	- 12.4
Amt.of Payments	$1,430,269	$1,655,406	- 13.6

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED MAY, 1981

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	15,187	100.0
Men	7,927	52.2
Under 45	5,879	74.2
45 and over	2,048	25.8
Women	7,260	47.8
Under 45	4,570	62.9
45 and over	2,690	37.1
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	1,519	10.0
Manufacturing	6,911	45.5
Public Utilities	614	4.0
Trade	1,992	13.1
Finance-Insurance-Real Estate	488	3.2
Service	1,839	12.1
All Other	1,824	12.0
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	1,784	11.7
Clerical and Sales	2,578	17.0
Service	1,003	6.6
Forestry, Fishery, and Rel.	181	1.2
Processing	683	4.5
Machine Trades	1,491	9.8
Bench Work	3,121	20.6
Structural Work	1,770	11.7
Miscellaneous	1,978	13.0
Not Available	598	3.9

Providence-Warwick-Pawtucket Labor Area

Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	April 1981	March 1981	April 1980
Civilian Labor Force	459.3	460.6	458.9
Unemployment	34.6	37.6	34.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	7.5	8.2	7.5
Seas.Adjusted Rate	7.6	7.7	7.4

N.A. Denotes Not Available

Newport Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	April 1981	March 1981	April 1980
Civilian Labor Force	31,395	30,420	29,365
Unemployment	1,995	2,355	1,630
Rate (Unadjusted)	6.4	7.7	5.6

Westerly Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	April 1981	March 1981	April 1980
Civilian Labor Force	14,580	14,190	13,410
Unemployment	965	1,125	925
Rate (Unadjusted)	6.6	7.9	6.9

LABOR SURPLUS AREAS

The following cities and towns have been classified as Labor Surplus Areas by the U. S. Department of Labor. The classifications are effective through May 31, 1982. Establishments located in these cities and towns are eligible for preference in receiving federal contracts.

Bristol
Central Falls
Charlestown
Johnston
New Shoreham
North Providence
Warren
West Warwick

ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN RHODE ISLAND

INDUSTRY GROUP	EMPLOYMENT In Thousands May 1981	Apr. 1981	May 1980	Net Change From Apr. 1981	May 1980	PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES Weekly Earnings May 1981	May 1980	Weekly Hours May 1981	May 1980	Hourly Earnings May 1981	May 1980
ALL MANUFACTURING	125.3	125.6	128.1	— 300	— 2800	$240.19	$214.73	39.7	38.9	$6.05	$5.52
DURABLE GOODS	56.3	56.5	56.6	— 200	— 300	271.61	244.21	40.6	40.1	6.69	6.09
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.4	2.2	2.2	+ 200	+ 200	207.20	219.79	35.0	38.9	5.92	5.65
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	2.9	2.6	3.1	+ 300	— 200	317.22	278.30	43 1	45.4	7.36	6.13
PRIMARY METALS	8.2	8.2	8.1	0	+ 100	306.67	251.53	44.9	41.1	6.83	6.12
FABRICATED METALS	9.4	9.4	9.7	0	— 300	227.33	208.24	38.4	38.0	5.92	5.48
NON-ELEC. MACHINERY	9.3	9.5	9.5	— 200	— 200	334.84	302.18	42.6	42.5	7.86	7.11
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	11.2	11.3	11.7	— 100	— 500	223.27	198.35	38.1	36.8	5.86	5.39
TRANS. EQUIPMENT	8.0	8.3	6.9	— 300	+ 1100	287.52	283.85	40.1	40.9	7.17	6.94
INSTRUMENTS	4.9	5.0	5.4	— 100	— 500	260.99	227.55	41.1	41.0	6.35	5.55
NONDURABLE GOODS	69.0	69.1	71.5	— 100	— 2500	216.22	191.40	39.1	37.9	5.53	5.05
FOOD-BEVERAGE	2.9	2.9	3.0	0	— 100	263.19	226.18	39.4	37.2	6.68	6.08
TEXTILES	12.3†	12.3 †	12.3	0	0	226.84	204.52	42.4	41.4	5.35	4.94
APPAREL	3.5	3.6	3.6	— 100	— 100	203.20	179.08	40.0	39.1	5.08	4.58
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.6	2.7	+ 100	0	239.95	205.01	41.3	39.5	5.81	5.19
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	5.8	5.8	5.4	0	+ 400	279.38	385.32	37.3	39.3	7.49	7.26
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.1	3.0	0	+ 100	314.70	289.98	38.9	39.4	8.09	7.36
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.2	1.3	1.8	— 100	— 600	258.34	217.20	41.4	40.0	6.24	5.43
PASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.1	5.2	0	— 100	236.78	209.75	40.2	38.7	5.89	5.42
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.7	2.9	0	— 200	160.82	137.80	38.2	35.7	4.21	3.86
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.4	23.4	25.4	0	— 2000	186.12	161.88	37.6	35.5	4.95	4.56
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.3	6.3	6.2	0	+ 100	194.38	176.25	36.4	37.5	5.34	4.70

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LABOR TURNOVER RATES IN RHODE ISLAND
(Per 100 Employees)
APRIL 1981

	ACCESSION RATES TOTAL Apr. 1981	Mar. 1981	Apr. 1980	NEW HIRES Apr. 1981	Mar. 1981	Apr. 1980	SEPARATION RATES TOTAL Apr. 1981	Mar. 1981	Apr. 1980	QUITS Apr. 1981	Mar. 1981	Apr. 1980	LAY-OFF RATES Apr. 1981	Mar. 1981	Apr. 1980
MANUFACTURING	3.8	3.2	4.3	2.5	2.2	2.9	3.9	3.6	5.0	1.6	1.4	2.2	1.6	1.5	2.0
DURABLE GOODS	2.8	2.5	3.3	2.0	2.0	2.2	3.0	2.5	4.0	1.3	1.3	1.6	0.9	0.5	1.5
Primary Metals	2.3	2.3	4.8	1.6	2.0	1.5	2.0	2.3	5.2	1.1	1.4	1.0	0.2	0.5	3.3
Fabricated Metals	3.9	2.9	2.6	3.1	2.2	2.1	3.9	2.9	3.5	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.5	0.3	0.9
Non-Elec. Mach.	1.4	1.6	2.0	0.9	1.1	1.3	2.3	1.4	1.6	1.7	0.4	0.8	1.0	0.4	0.2
Electrical Mach.	3.6	3.9	3.5	2.9	3.2	2.7	4.5	3.5	4.2	2.1	2.3	2.5	1.5	0.5	1.0
Instruments-Optical	1.2	1.3	4.9	0.9	0.8	4.5	2.0	1.8	3.5	0.7	1.0	2.0	0.9	0.2	0.7
OTHER DURABLE GOODS *	2.5	2.2	2.8	1.5	1.8	1.9	2.8	2.4	5.0	1.4	1.1	1.5	0.4	0.6	2.4
NONDUR. GOODS	4.7	3.8	5.1	3.0	2.3	3.4	4.7	4.6	5.9	1.8	1.5	2.7	2.1	2.3	2.4
Food-Beverage	3.2	2.2	6.8	1.2	1.2	2.1	3.4	10.6	7.6	1.2	0.8	2.1	1.5	8.9	4.0
Textiles	6.0	3.5	4.0	4.2	2.6	3.1	4.7	4.6	5.9	1.9	1.4	2.2	1.5	2.2	2.6
Apparel	6.1	6.0	4.5	2.6	3.3	2.8	6.0	3.2	5.2	2.3	1.3	2.1	3.4	1.0	2.2
Paper & Allied Prod.	5.5	3.8	10.1	4.6	1.7	3.1	11.4	4.4	19.3	2.5	1.2	3.3	7.9	1.7	15.2
Rubber & Plas.Prod.	4.5	3.0	3.5	1.8	2.4	2.3	4.1	4.8	5.0	1.4	1.6	2.3	1.4	1.9	1.6
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TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	80.8	80.4	80.9	+ 400	— 100
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	20.8	20.8	20.8	0	0
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	85.9	84.7	83.4	+ 1200	+ 2500
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	59.3	59.3	60.5	0	— 1200

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Construction employment also showed a smaller than normal seasonal increase, adding only 300 jobs overall in May to a level of 12,600, down 500 jobs from last year. Building and Heavy Construction showed no over-the-month growth, while the Special Trades segment of the industry added fewer than normal numbers of workers for this time of year.

Transportation and Public Utilities, and Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate firms showed no employment change over the month, and remained at levels of 13,300 and 20,800, respectively. Government payrolls, at 59,300 in mid-May, were unchanged over the month; however, there was a loss of 100 workers in State employment which was offset by a similar increase in the federal government payrolls.

MANUFACTURING

The number of manufacturing jobs in Rhode Island declined by 300, to 125,300, in mid-May. The current total represents an over-the-year loss of 2,800 jobs.

Employment in the Durable Goods sector declined by 200 jobs in the month to 56,300 in mid-May – down 300 jobs over the year. A monthly employment increase of 300 jobs was recorded in the Stone, Clay & Glass industry, bringing its total employment level to 2,900 in May. Lumber/Furniture manufacturers added 200 jobs in the month to reach 2,400. Offsetting these gains, however, were losses of 300 jobs in Transportation Equipment (now at 8,000), 200 jobs in Nonelectrical Machinery (at 9,300) and 100 jobs each in Electrical Machinery and Instruments, standing at 11,200 and 4,900 respectively.

In the Nondurable Goods sector, employment remained fairly stable declining by only 100 jobs over the month, to 69,000, but down 2,500 jobs from last year's level.

Very few over-the-month industry level employment changes were noted in the Nondurable Goods sector. Declines of 100 jobs each in Apparel and Rubber Products manufacturing were partially offset by a 100 job gain in the Paper Products industry. All other Nondurable Goods segments remained stable over the month.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Gross average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production and related workers rose 5 cents over the month to $6.05 an hour, and was up 53 cents over the year. Average weekly hours worked or paid rose .7 hours in the month and .8 hours over the year. Resulting average weekly earnings for these workers rose by $6.19 over the month to $240.19; up $25.46 over the year.

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(In Thousands)

	May 1981	April 1981	May 1980
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R. I. JOBS TOTAL 401,900 IN JUNE UP 3,900 IN A MONTH

Employment in both nonmanufacturing and manufacturing industries rose seasonally in June, continuing a four-month trend and moving Rhode Island employment to its highest level of the year, according to Mary C. Hackett, Director of the Department of Employment Security.

In mid-June there were 401,900 men and women employed in this State according to preliminary estimates compiled by the Department of Employment Security in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics. This figure indicates a one-month increase of 3,900 jobs with nearly 3 of every 4 new hires occurring in the nonmanufacturing segment. On an annual comparison, however, June employment is 1,200 below the 403,100 employment level reported one year ago.

NONMANUFACTURING

Employment in the nonmanufacturing sectors climbed by 2,900 in mid-June to a level of 275,600 - up 1,000 jobs from one year ago.

The Trade sector showed a seasonal increase of 1,200 jobs in the month, rising to a level of 82,000 in mid-June, but 600 less than the figure reported one year ago. Eating and drinking establishments showed the largest monthly gain, followed by Wholesale Trade of Nondurable Goods.

The Services sector continued its steady growth pattern and together with increases in seasonal employment added 1,000 jobs in June for a total of 86,900. An increase of 3,300 jobs was reported from last year's figure. Most of the increases reported for the month were in seasonally oriented industries (Amusement & Recreation, Hotel/Motels and Hospitals) and were sufficient to completely

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EMPLOYERS

10 GOOD REASONS TO LIST YOUR JOB OPENINGS WITH THE RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE

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AN IMPORTANT REMINDER TO EMPLOYERS

Employment Security and Temporary Disability Insurance reports of employment wages and taxes for the quarter ending June 30, 1981, must be filed by July 31, 1981, with the Department of Employment Security, 24 Mason Street, Providence, R. I. Failure to make these reports and to pay required taxes by the due date will make employers liable to penalties and additional interest charges. "No payroll" reports must be submitted in those cases where no wages were paid during the quarter covered by the report.

JOB SERVICE — EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	June 1981	May 1981	June 1980
Total Placements	2,563	1,997 *	1,912
New Applications	5,966	4,712 *	5,519
New Openings Received	3,292	2,864 *	3,056

* Revised Figures

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	June 1981	May 1981	% Change from May
Initial Claims	19,035	8,863	+ 114.8
No. of Payments	57,987	58,435	— 0.8
Amt.of Payments	$5,370,697	$5,314,740	+ 1.1
Exhaustions	1,437	1,649	— 12.9

EXTENDED BENEFITS PROGRAM

Statistics for the Extended Benefits Program, the cost of which is shared by the State and the Federal Government, are presented below:

	June 1981	May 1981	% Change from May
Initial Claims	1,700	1,770	— 4.0
No. of Payments	11,709	15,501	— 24.5
Amt.of Payments	$1,126,789	$1,430,269	— 21.2

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED MAY, 1981

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	14,824	100.0
Men	7,852	53.0
Under 45	5,764	73.4
45 and over	2,088	26.6
Women	6,972	47.0
Under 45	4,207	60.3
45 and over	2,765	39.7
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	1,268	8.6
Manufacturing	7,231	48.8
Public Utilities	403	2.7
Trade	1,830	12.3
Finance-Insurance-Real Estate	316	2.1
Service	1,974	13.3
All Other	1,802	12.2
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	1,715	11.6
Clerical and Sales	2,536	17.1
Service	1,325	8.9
Forestry, Fishery, and Rel.	130	0.9
Processing	850	5.7
Machine Trades	1,570	10.6
Bench Work	2,780	18.8
Structural Work	1,772	12.0
Miscellaneous	1,714	11.6
Not Available	432	2.9

Providence-Warwick-Pawtucket Labor Area

Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	May 1981	April 1981	May 1980
Civilian Labor Force	457.2	459.3	459.4
Unemployment	31.5	34.6	31.5
Rate (Unadjusted)	6.9	7.5	6.9
Seas.Adjusted Rate	7.5	7.6	7.5

N.A. Denotes Not Available

Newport Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	May 1981	April 1981	May 1980
Civilian Labor Force	31,275	31,395	30,065
Unemployment	1,620	1,995	1,410
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.2	6.4	4.7

Westerly Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	May 1981	April 1981	May 1980
Civilian Labor Force	14,705	14,580	13,730
Unemployment	925	965	730
Rate (Unadjusted)	6.3	6.6	5.3

LABOR SURPLUS AREAS

The following cities and towns have been classified as Labor Surplus Areas by the U. S. Department of Labor. The classifications are effective through May 31, 1982. Establishments located in these cities and towns are eligible for preference in receiving federal contracts.

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Warren
West Warwick

ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN RHODE ISLAND

INDUSTRY GROUP	EMPLOYMENT In Thousands			EMPLOYMENT Net Change From		PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
	June 1981	May 1981	June 1980	May 1981	June 1980	June 1981	June 1980	June 1981	June 1980	June 1981	June 1980
ALL MANUFACTURING	126.3	125.3	128.5	+1000	— 2200	$242.61	$218.12	40.1	39.3	$6.05	$5.55
DURABLE GOODS	56.3	56.3	56.4	0	— 100	272.28	247.85	40.7	40.3	6.69	6.15
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.2†	2.4	2.2	- 200	0	215.85	224.83	36.4	39.1	5.93	5.75
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	2.9	2.9	3.1	0	— 200	300.54	286.13	41.8	46.3	7.19	6.18
PRIMARY METALS	7.9†	8.2	8.0	— 300	— 100	310.76	253.78	45.3	40.8	6.86	6.22
FABRICATED METALS	9.7	9.4	9.7	+ 300	0	230.47	207.90	38.8	37.8	5.94	5.50
NON-ELEC. MACHINERY	9.3	9.3	9.6	0	— 300	329.80	300.72	41.8	42.0	7.89	7.16
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	11.3	11.2	11.4	+ 100	— 100	225.59	203.63	38.3	37.5	5.89	5.43
TRANS. EQUIPMENT	8.0	8.0	7.0	0	+ 1000	293.76	289.80	40.8	41.4	7.20	7.00
INSTRUMENTS	5.0	4.9	5.4	+ 100	— 400	259.97	231.84	41.2	41.4	6.31	5.60
NONDURABLE GOODS	70.0	69.0	72.1	+1000	— 2100	218.83	195.58	39.5	38.5	5.54	5.08
FOOD-BEVERAGE	3.1	2.9	3.1	+ 200	0	238.61	225.26	38.3	36.1	6.23	6.24
TEXTILES	12.5†	12.3†	12.1	+ 200	+ 400	230.48	206.91	43.0	41.8	5.36	4.95
APPAREL	3.7	3.5	3.7	+ 200	0	207.14	180.39	41.1	39.3	5.04	4.59
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.8	2.7	2.9	+ 100	— 100	245.86	212.93	42.1	40.1	5.84	5.31
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	5.9	5.8	5.5	+ 100	+ 400	275.21	273.18	36.5	38.1	7.54	7.17
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.2	3.1	3.0	+ 100	+ 200	319.09	297.98	39.2	38.8	8.14	7.68
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.2	1.2	1.8	0	— 600	261.99	217.06	42.6	39.9	6.15	5.44
PASTICS PRODUCTS	5.1	5.1	5.3	0	— 200	241.54	207.74	40.8	38.4	5.92	5.41
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.8	2.7	2.9	+ 100	— 100	167.42	143.19	38.4	37.0	4.36	3.87
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.2	23.4	25.5	— 200	— 2300	191.12	170.20	38.3	37.0	4.99	4.60
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.5	6.3	6.3	+ 200	+ 200	196.91	179.45	36.6	38.1	5.38	4.71

† LABOR DISPUTE

1980 FIGURES REVISED. 1981 FIGURES ARE PRELIMINARY.
ESTIMATES ARE FOR PAY PERIOD WHICH INCLUDES THE 12TH OF THE MONTH.
COMPILED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY IN COOPERATION WITH THE U.S.BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS.

LABOR TURNOVER RATES IN RHODE ISLAND
(Per 100 Employees)
JUNE 1981

	ACCESSION RATES TOTAL			ACCESSION RATES NEW HIRES			SEPARATION RATES TOTAL			SEPARATION RATES QUITS			SEPARATION RATES LAY-OFF RATES		
	May 1981	Apr. 1981	May 1980	May 1981	Apr. 1981	May 1980	May 1981	Apr. 1981	May 1980	May 1981	Apr. 1981	May 1980	May 1981	Apr. 1981	May 1980
MANUFACTURING	3.6	3.8	4.2	2.4	2.5	2.3	3.4	3.9	5.9	1.5	1.6	1.9	1.1	1.6	3.1
DURABLE GOODS	2.6	2.8	2.7	1.9	2.0	1.9	2.8	3.0	4.2	1.3	1.3	1.5	0.8	0.9	1.7
Primary Metals	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.1	1.6	0.8	1.9	2.0	4.6	1.0	1.1	0.9	0.4	0.2	2.9
Fabricated Metals	4.1	3.9	1.9	2.5	3.1	1.3	3.1	3.9	3.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	0.4	1.5	0.7
Non-Elec. Mach.	1.9	1.4	2.5	1.3	0.9	1.7	2.0	2.3	1.5	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	1.0	0.3
Electrical Mach.	3.3	3.6	3.1	2.3	2.9	2.2	4.2	4.5	5.9	1.8	2.1	2.2	1.7	1.5	2.8
Instruments-Optical	1.6	1.2	2.8	1.4	0.9	2.6	1.7	2.0	2.8	1.2	0.7	1.7	0.1	0.9	0.3
OTHER DURABLE GOODS *	2.0	2.5	4.4	1.6	1.5	3.4	3.4	2.8	6.0	1.5	1.4	2.3	0.9	0.4	2.7
NONDUR. GOODS	4.5	4.7	5.5	2.8	3.0	2.6	3.8	4.7	7.2	1.8	1.8	2.2	1.3	2.1	4.3
Food-Beverage	3.2	3.2	5.9	1.7	1.2	2.8	3.3	3.4	9.3	1.2	1.2	1.8	1.5	1.5	6.5
Textiles	4.3	6.0	3.4	2.9	4.2	2.1	3.4	4.7	7.4	1.7	1.9	1.9	0.7	1.5	4.6
Apparel	5.9	6.1	8.7	2.1	2.6	3.4	6.0	6.0	7.8	1.6	2.3	1.7	3.7	3.4	5.5
Paper & Allied Prod.	9.0	5.5	14.6	2.6	4.6	1.5	4.2	11.4	13.5	2.0	2.5	2.4	1.3	7.9	10.3
Rubber & Plas.Prod.	4.0	4.5	5.4	2.5	1.8	2.9	3.4	4.1	4.3	1.6	1.4	2.4	1.0	1.4	0.8
Jewelry & Silverware	4.7	5.0	4.2	3.0	3.5	2.6	4.5	4.7	5.0	1.8	1.8	2.3	2.1	2.4	2.3
OTHER NONDURABLE GOODS **	3.6	3.3	5.8	2.9	2.1	3.3	2.9	3.5	8.4	1.9	1.6	2.4	0.2	1.3	5.1

RATES FOR MAY 1981 ARE PRELIMINARY. RATES FOR APRIL 1981 AND MAY 1980 ARE FINAL.
* INCLUDES: LUMBER AND WOOD PRODUCTS; STONE, CLAY AND GLASS PRODUCTS AND TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT.
** INCLUDES: PRINTING AND PUBLISHING AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES; CHEMICAL AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS; LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS AND MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	Employment in Thousands			Net Change From	
	June 1981	May 1981	June 1980	May 1981	June 1980
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT*	401.9	398.0	403.1	+ 3900	— 1200
MANUFACTURING	126.3	125.3	128.5	+ 1000	— 2200
NONMANUFACTURING	275.6	272.7	274.6	+ 2900	+ 1000
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	13.4	12.6	13.6	+ 800	— 200
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	13.5	13.3	13.4	+ 200	+ 100
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	82.0	80.8	82.6	+ 1200	— 600
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	20.9	20.8	21.1	+ 100	— 200
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	86.9	85.9	83.6	+ 1000	+ 3300
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	58.9	59.3	60.3	— 400	— 1400

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* FARMERS; SELF-EMPLOYED; DOMESTIC AND ARMED SERVICES PERSONNEL ARE EXCLUDED.

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offset the normal seasonal decline (-900) in private educational institutions.

Construction employment, with all segments showing seasonal increases, climbed by 800 jobs in mid-June to a level of 13,400. Transportation and Public Utilities rose 200 jobs and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate rose 100 jobs in the month to reach June employment levels of 13,500 and 20,900 respectively.

The government sector showed a net loss of 400 workers in June caused by a reduction of 700 jobs in State and Local government, mostly attributable to seasonal reductions in the school lunch program and permanent cuts in the CETA program. These losses were partially offset by an increase of 300 workers in Federal employment occurring in Postal and Defense jobs.

MANUFACTURING

The June survey indicates 126,300 jobs were filled in manufacturing establishments. This was an increase of 1,000 over the previous month, but a decrease of 2,200 from that reported one year ago.

Nondurable Goods firms added 1,000 workers in the month to a level of 70,000 in mid-June. Food/Beverages, Textiles, Apparel, and Miscellaneous Manufacturing firms each added 200 jobs in the month, mostly due to seasonal hiring, to reach levels of 3,100, 12,500, 3,700, and 6,500, respectively. General increases were responsible for a gain of 100 workers each in the Paper Products, Printing/Publishing, Chemicals, and Leather industries, bringing their respective employment totals to 2,800, 5,900, 3,200, and 2,800 in mid-June. Jewelry/Silverware showed a loss of 200 workers in the month, standing at 23,200 for the June reporting period.

Durable Goods firms showed no overall change in mid-June, remaining at 56,300 workers. Within this sector, Fabricated Metals showed a gain of 300 in the month, bringing employment to 9,700. Electrical Machinery and Instruments each gained 100 over the month, to reach employment levels of 11,300 and 5,000 respectively. These gains were offset by losses of 300 in Primary Metals, and 200 in Lumber/Furniture, as both of these industries are experiencing labor disputes.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing workers remained stable at $6.05 an hour in mid-June, but showed an increase of 50 cents over the year. Average weekly hours rose by .4 hours to 40.1 in the month and .8 hours over the one-year period. Average weekly earnings were $242.61 in mid-June, up $2.42 in the month and $24.49 over the past 12 months.

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force — Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	June 1981	May 1981	June 1980
Civilian Labor Force	470.1	463.6	471.7
Unemployment	33.3	31.5	35.6
Rate (Unadjusted)	7.1	6.8	7.5
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	7.0	7.4	7.5

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TJTC Job Orders	277-6950
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EAST PROVIDENCE, 877 Broadway	277-3537
NEWPORT, 268 Bellevue Avenue	847-2038
PAWTUCKET, 109 Main St.	722-7500
PROVIDENCE, 40 Fountain St.	
Professional, Clerical & Sales	277-3579
Jewelry	277-3553
Manufacturing	277-3556
Construction	277-3559
Hotel, Hospital, Household & Restaurant	277-3559
NO. KINGSTOWN, 7734 Post Rd.	294-9923
NO. PROVIDENCE, 1951 Smith St.	231-5290
QUONSET POINT, Bldg. No. 10	277-3521
WAKEFIELD, Washington County Gov't Center, Tower Hill Road	7[illegible]-9721
WARWICK, 50 Airport Road	737-7550
WESTERLY, 57 Spruce Street	596-2814
WEST WARWICK, 1330 Main St.	828-6134
WOONSOCKET, 217 Pond St.	762-9010

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R. I. JOBS DECLINE IN JULY TO 391,000

Job losses in manufacturing industries, due mostly to vacation-related plant closings and some layoffs, dominated the State's employment picture in July, according to Mary C. Hackett, Director of the Department of Employment Security.

Preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics indicate that 391,000 workers were employed in Rhode Island in mid-July. This represents a monthly decline of 10,900 jobs and places the current level even with that of a year ago.

MANUFACTURING

Reflecting losses due principally to industry plant closings for vacations and layoffs during the reporting period, manufacturing employment dropped by 9,300 jobs to 117,000 in mid-July. The annual comparison shows that this figure is the same as that of a year ago.

Durable Goods firms showed losses of 3,300 workers over the month to a level of 53,000. Over the year, however, there was an increase of 400 workers. Monthly declines of 800 workers each were noted in the Transportation and Electrical Machinery segments, bringing their mid-July employment levels to 7,200 and 10,500, respectively. Primary Metals (still in the midst of a labor dispute) and Fabricated Metals each reported 700 workers less than last month, to levels of 7,200 and 9,000, respectively. Nonelectrical Machinery manufacturers, at 9,000 workers, showed a 300 job decrease over the month, while Instruments lost 100 workers to a level of 4,900. Stone, Clay & Glass firms reported a 100 worker gain to reach 3,000 jobs, and Lumber/Furniture manufacturers remained even at 2,200 with a continuing labor dispute.

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DES DIRECTOR'S ADVICE TO WORKING STUDENTS:

GO BACK TO SCHOOL

Each year at this time DES Director Mary C. Hackett offers a word of thanks and makes a special request to those employers who hired students for summer jobs. With the 1981-82 academic year nearly upon us, it is important that these young people return to school to complete their education – and you are asked to make every effort to encourage them to do so. Completing one's education is an important step before seeking a place in the labor market. You, as an employer, are in a most advantageous position to point this out to your summer workers.

Some employers may be in position to retain the students on a part-time basis after school to assist the young person finance his or her education. If this is not possible, please refer those students who must find other work to the nearest office of the Rhode Island Job Service. Skilled interviewers are prepared to try to find suitable part-time employment for them. A list of Job Service offices is on the back page of this Bulletin. Thank you.

JOB SERVICE

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	July 1981	June 1981	July 1980
Total Placements	3,516	2,563	2,379
New Applications	6,454	5,966	4,597
New Openings Received	4,555	3,292	3,449

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	July 1981	June 1981	% Change from June
Initial Claims	17,386	19,035	— 8.7
No. of Payments	75,248	57,987	+ 29.8
Amt.of Payments	$7,513,847	$5,370,697	+ 39.9
Exhaustions	1,527	1,437	+ 6.3

EXTENDED BENEFITS PROGRAM

Statistics for the Extended Benefits Program, the cost of which is shared by the State and the Federal Government, are presented below:

	July 1981	June 1981	% Change from June
Initial Claims	1,886	1,700	+ 10.9
No. of Payments	10,766	11,709	— 8.1
Amt.of Payments	$1,021,153	$1,126,789	— 9.4

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED JULY 1981

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	23,207	100.0
Men	9,928	42.8
Under 45	7,275	73.3
45 and over	2,653	26.7
Women	13,279	57.2
Under 45	8,186	61.6
45 and over	5,093	38.4
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	1,367	5.9
Manufacturing	8,007	34.5
Public Utilities	1,302	5.6
Trade	3,776	16.3
Finance-Insurance-Real Estate	358	1.5
Service	5,240	22.6
All Other	3,157	13.6
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Clerical and Sales	4,719	20.3
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Machine Trades	1,823	7.9
Bench Work	3,157	13.6
Structural Work	2,213	9.5
Miscellaneous	2,588	11.2
Not Available	896	3.9

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(In Thousands)

	June 1981	May 1981	June 1980
Civilian Labor Force	463.6	457.2	465.2
Unemployment	33.5	31.5	36.1
Rate (Unadjusted)	7.2	6.9	7.8
Seas.Adjusted Rate	7.0	7.5	7.6

Newport Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	June 1981	May 1981	June 1980
Civilian Labor Force	31,960	31,275	31,620
Unemployment	1,730	1,620	1,780
Rate (Unadjusted)	5.4	5.2	5.6

Westerly Labor Area

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates

	June 1981	May 1981	June 1980
Civilian Labor Force	15,245	14,705	14,680
Unemployment	1,000	925	1,010
Rate (Unadjusted)	6.6	6.3	6.9

LABOR SURPLUS AREAS

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INDUSTRY GROUP	EMPLOYMENT In Thousands July 1981	June 1981	July 1980	Net Change From June 1981	Net Change From July 1980	PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES Weekly Earnings July 1981	July 1980	Weekly Hours July 1981	July 1980	Hourly Earnings July 1981	July 1980
ALL MANUFACTURING	117.0	126.3	117.0	− 9300	0	$237.68	$218.96	38.9	39.1	$6.11	$5.60
DURABLE GOODS	53.0	56.3	52.6	− 3300	+ 400	265.99	247.38	39.7	39.9	6.70	6.20
LUMBER/FURNITURE	2.2†	2.2†	2.4	0	− 200	218.39	224.44	34.5	38.3	6.33	5.86
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	3.0	2.9	3.0	+ 100	0	286.53	277.03	40.3	44.9	7.11	6.17
PRIMARY METALS	7.2†	7.9†	6.8	− 700	+ 400	303.74	260.37	44.8	42.2	6.78	6.17
FABRICATED METALS	9.0	9.7	8.7	− 700	+ 300	221.36	207.58	38.1	37.2	5.81	5.58
NON-ELEC. MACHINERY	9.0	9.3	9.5	− 300	− 500	317.05	295.80	40.7	40.8	7.79	7.25
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	10.5	11.3	10.3	− 800	+ 200	229.30	209.50	37.9	37.9	6.05	5.53
TRANS. EQUIPMENT	7.2	8.0	7.0	− 800	+ 200	278.21	270.47	37.8	39.6	7.36	6.83
INSTRUMENTS	4.9	5.0	4.9	− 100	0	262.70	230.28	41.5	40.4	6.33	5.70
NONDURABLE GOODS	64.0	70.0	64.4	− 6000	− 400	215.45	196.74	38.2	38.5	5.64	5.11
FOOD-BEVERAGE	2.9	3.1	3.0	− 200	− 100	252.98	235.49	38.1	37.8	6.64	6.23
TEXTILES	11.5†	12.5†	10.7	− 1000	+ 800	216.01	204.85	40.3	41.3	5.36	4.96
APPAREL	3.7	3.7	3.6	0	+ 100	196.81	179.44	39.6	39.7	4.97	4.52
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.8	2.6	− 400	− 200	237.60	194.93	39.6	36.3	6.00	5.37
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.0	5.9	5.5	+ 100	+ 500	270.69	275.46	35.9	38.1	7.54	7.23
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.2	3.2	3.0	0	+ 200	323.01	292.98	39.2	38.0	8.24	7.71
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.1	1.2	1.8	− 100	− 700	272.19	222.36	43.0	40.8	6.33	5.45
PASTICS PRODUCTS	5.0	5.1	4.8	− 100	+ 200	239.13	203.84	40.6	38.1	5.89	5.35
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.7	2.8	2.8	− 100	− 100	159.81	150.29	35.2	37.2	4.54	4.04
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	19.3	23.2	20.7	− 3900	− 1400	187.82	173.25	36.9	37.5	5.09	4.62
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.2	6.5	5.9	− 300	+ 300	194.55	175.39	36.5	37.8	5.33	4.64

† LABOR DISPUTE

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LABOR TURNOVER RATES IN RHODE ISLAND
(Per 100 Employees)
JUNE 1981

	ACCESSION RATES TOTAL June 1981	May 1981	June 1980	NEW HIRES June 1981	May 1981	June 1980	SEPARATION RATES TOTAL June 1981	May 1981	June 1980	QUITS June 1981	May 1981	June 1980	LAY-OFF RATES June 1981	May 1981	June 1980
MANUFACTURING	3.9	3.6	4.3	2.8	2.4	2.6	3.8	3.4	4.2	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.1	1.8
DURABLE GOODS	2.9	2.6	3.7	2.2	1.9	2.6	4.1	2.8	3.9	1.1	1.3	1.5	2.1	0.8	1.5
Primary Metals	2.2	2.3	1.7	2.1	2.1	1.0	6.4	1.9	2.2	1.2	1.0	0.9	4.0	0.4	0.7
Fabricated Metals	4.0	4.1	2.3	3.3	2.5	1.8	2.6	3.1	2.7	1.3	1.6	1.0	0.1	0.4	0.5
Non-Elec. Mach.	1.9	1.9	2.1	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.7	2.0	2.1	0.3	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7
Electrical Mach.	3.9	3.3	3.4	2.9	2.3	1.9	3.7	4.2	7.4	1.8	1.8	1.6	1.0	1.7	4.9
Instruments-Optical	3.8	1.6	3.0	3.6	1.4	2.5	1.6	1.7	3.1	1.0	1.2	1.6	0.2	0.1	0.5
OTHER DURABLE GOODS *	1.8	2.0	7.2	0.7	1.6	5.6	9.5	3.4	4.6	1.1	1.5	2.7	7.6	0.9	0.8
NONDUR. GOODS	4.8	4.5	4.9	3.4	2.8	2.6	3.6	3.8	4.5	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.3	2.0
Food-Beverage	9.1	3.2	7.7	3.8	1.7	2.9	5.8	3.3	4.2	1.4	1.2	1.8	3.5	1.5	1.3
Textiles	4.4	4.3	3.5	3.3	2.9	1.6	4.0	3.4	6.1	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.1	0.7	3.5
Apparel	4.4	5.9	3.5	1.7	2.1	1.5	3.2	6.0	11.3	0.8	1.6	1.0	1.7	1.3	9.9
Paper & Allied Prod.	5.0	9.0	5.7	2.8	2.6	2.6	2.9	4.2	3.6	2.1	2.0	1.9	0.1	1.3	1.2
Rubber & Plas.Prod.	4.4	4.0	3.4	3.5	2.5	2.0	3.5	4.1	2.9	1.8	1.6	1.7	0.2	1.0	0.4
Jewelry & Silverware	4.9	4.7	4.8	3.3	3.0	2.9	4.2	4.5	3.8	1.2	1.8	1.3	2.3	2.1	1.7
OTHER NONDURABLE GOODS **	4.2	3.6	5.9	3.7	2.9	3.7	2.6	3.5	3.6	1.8	1.9	2.0	0.2	0.2	0.8

RATES FOR JUNE 1981 ARE PRELIMINARY. RATES FOR MAY 1981 AND JUNE 1980 ARE FINAL.

* INCLUDES: LUMBER AND WOOD PRODUCTS; STONE, CLAY AND GLASS PRODUCTS AND TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT.

** INCLUDES: PRINTING AND PUBLISHING AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES; CHEMICAL AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS; LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS AND MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	Employment in Thousands			Net Change From	
	July 1981	June 1981	July 1980	June 1981	July 1980
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT*	391.0	401.9	391.0	— 10,900	0
MANUFACTURING	117.0	126.3	117.0	— 9,300	0
NONMANUFACTURING	274.0	275.6	274.0	— 1,600	0
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	13.5	13.4	13.5	+ 100	0
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	12.8	13.5	13.2	— 700	— 400
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	80.5	82.0	81.2	— 1,500	— 700
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	21.0	20.9	21.1	+ 100	— 100
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	87.7	86.9	83.7	+ 800	+ 4,000
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	58.5	58.9	61.3 †	— 400	— 2,800

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† Labor Dispute

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In Nondurable Goods industries a drop of 6,000 jobs was reported, bringing the mid-July employment in this sector to 64,000, down 400 from one year ago. Jewelry/Silverware firms declined by 3,900 workers in July to a level of 19,300 – off 1,400 from one year ago. Textile products establishments, at an employment level of 10,500 workers, lost 1,000 workers over the month but showed an increase of 800 jobs from this period one year ago. This industry is still affected by an ongoing labor dispute.

NONMANUFACTURING

As of mid-July there were 274,000 men and women employed in nonmanufacturing industries in Rhode Island. This estimate shows a decrease of 1,600 workers in the month, with the current level being even with last year's total.

Wholesale and retail trade firms reduced their work force seasonally by 1,500 jobs, to a level of 80,500, and the Transportation and Public Utilities sector lost 700 workers over the month, to a total of 12,800, largely attributable to declines in the number of school bus drivers.

Government employment declined by 400 jobs in July to 58,500 workers. State payrolls remained even over the month, while summer declines in Local Educational institutions outweighed the expected summer employment increase in Municipal Government. Federal payrolls increased by 100 workers.

In the Services sector, 800 jobs were gained over the month to reach a level of 87,700 workers. Virtually all movement within this sector was seasonally related.

Construction firms added 100 tradespeople in July to reach 13,500. Finance, Insurance and Real Estate added 100 workers to a mid-July level of 21,000.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings of the State's production and related workers in manufacturing industries rose by 6 cents an hour over the month to $6.11 in mid-July – up 51 cents over last year.

Average weekly hours worked declined by 1.2 hours over the month to 38.9 – down .2 hours in the yearly comparison. Gross average weekly earnings were $237.68 in July, down $4.93 over the month, and showing an increase of $18.72 over the year.

RHODE ISLAND
Labor Force — Unemployment Estimates
(In Thousands)

	July 1981	June 1981	July 1980
Civilian Labor Force	463.2	470.1	464.2
Unemployment	37.8	33.3	38.7
Rate (Unadjusted)	8.2	7.1	8.3
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	7.3	7.0	7.4

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